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Commemorative Stamps

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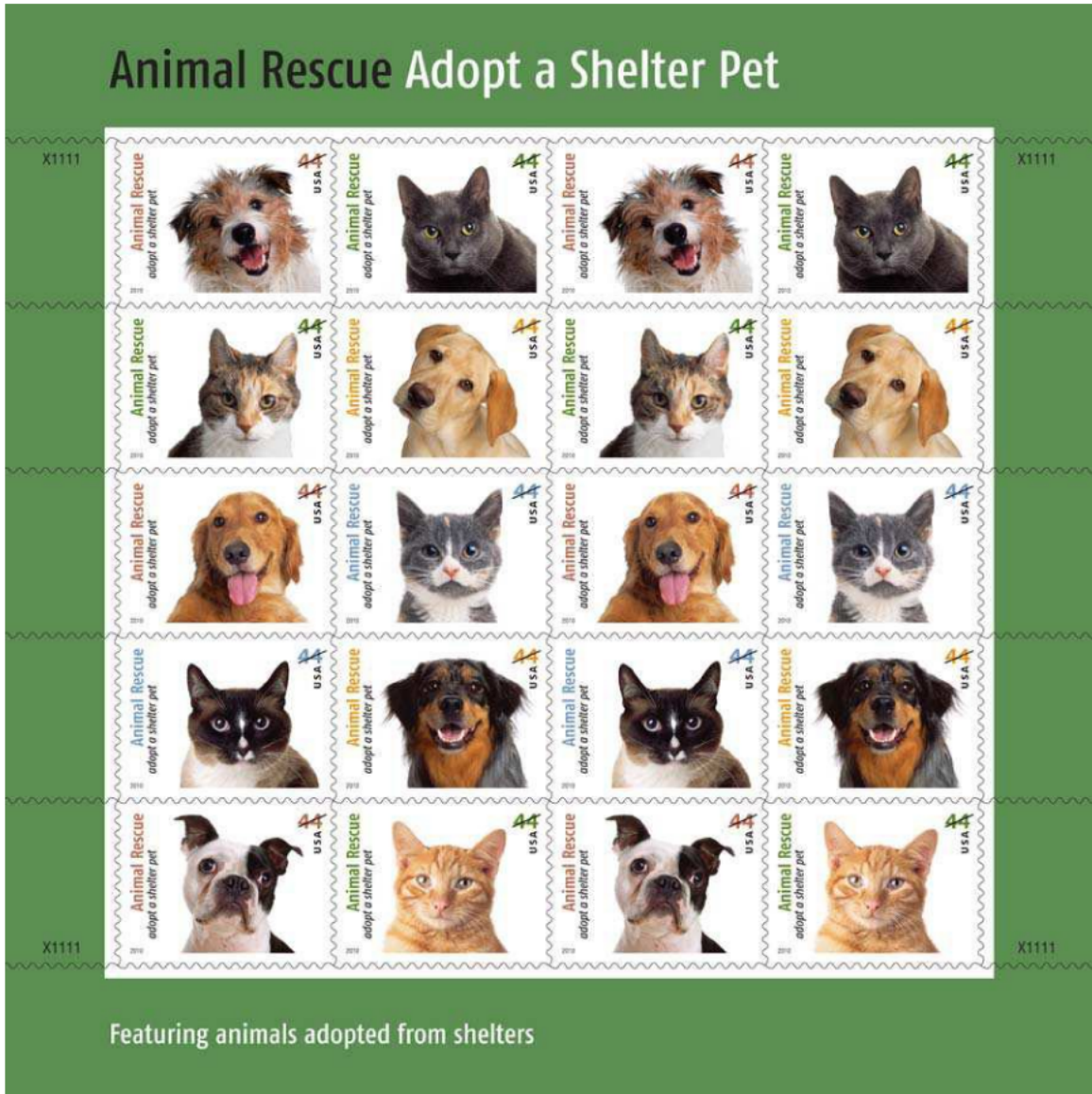


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Publicity Kit: Adopt a Shelter Pet Commemorative Stamps



Overview

The Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet sheet of commemorative stamps feature photographs of 10 sheltered pets — five cats and five dogs.

This sheet of stamps is part of the Postal Service's long-term commitment to raising awareness of important social issues. *The Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* commemorative stamps raise awareness of the importance of adopting companion animals from shelters to help prevent the senseless euthanizing of millions of animals every year.

The promotion is called "Stamps to the Rescue."

Unveiling: *The Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* stamps were unveiled on March 17, 2010, on the *Ellen DeGeneres Show* by Postmaster General Jack Potter and Ellen DeGeneres.

Promotion: The Postal Service™ launched its "Stamps to the Rescue" promotion in conjunction with the unveiling of the stamps.

First Day of Issuance: On April 30, Postmaster General Jack Potter and Ellen DeGeneres will dedicate the *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* stamps at a 2 P.M. (PT) ceremony at the Academy of Television Arts & Sciences in Hollywood, California.

About the Stamps

- The commemorative stamps are called *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet*, and the green selvage includes the language "Featuring animals adopted from shelters".
- This is the 2010 social awareness stamp subject.
- The 44-cent stamps will be sold in panes of 20 for \$8.80.
- Three hundred million stamps will be printed — 15 million sheets.
- A print run for commemorative stamps averages 65 million total stamps — 4.5 times as many *Adopt a Shelter Pet* stamps have been printed than the average commemorative stamp.
- If the Postal Service sells 7.5 million sheets by the end of May, the stamps will be reprinted.
- A second printing, if necessary, will be 120 million stamps, or 6 million sheets.
- The goal is to have this sheet of commemorative stamps be the most pre-ordered stamp in history — possibly requiring a reprint before they are even available for sale.
- These stamps continue a 50+ year tradition of the Postal Service bringing attention and awareness to serious social issues of the day...one letter at a time.

- The stamps feature photographs of five cats and five dogs adopted from the same shelter: the Animal Rescue Society shelter located in New Milford, Connecticut.
- Sally Andersen-Bruce took the photographs on Memorial Day weekend in 2006.
- Derry Noyes is the designer and art director for the stamps.



About the "Stamps to the Rescue" Promotion

The 8-week "Stamps to the Rescue" promotion kicked off with the unveiling of the *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* commemorative stamps on *The Ellen DeGeneres Show* March 17.

The Postal Service is working with Ellen DeGeneres and Halo: Purely for Pets — a pet food company that DeGeneres co-owns — on the national promotion of the *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* commemorative stamps.

The Postal Service is excited to work with Ellen DeGeneres and Halo to increase public awareness of the stamps, to increase social awareness of the subject, and to introduce the Postal Service to a new audience. DeGeneres has a large, loyal following, and she is passionate about pet adoption. She has often addressed the subject on her show and in other public forums, including in social media.

Together we can encourage pet adoption and help to bring an end to the tragedy of adoptable, unwanted, homeless, and abandoned pets being euthanized each year.

The goal is to increase public awareness of the problem and to promote humane and responsible pet care.

- Halo will be donating 1 million meals to animal shelters across the country.
- Promotional posters and counter cards went up in all Postal Service retail lobbies nationwide and will remain there until May 14.
- The www.stampstotherescue.com microsite launched.
- Pre-ordering for the stamps began.
- The social media campaign began.
- An internal screensaver about the campaign will run from March 29 to April 11.
- The first day of issuance will be Friday, April 30, in Hollywood, California.
- A national cancellation, featuring the face of a dog and a cat, www.stampstotherescue.com, and *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet*, will run on mail processing equipment from April 30 through May 14.
- Local events will be held across the country.

What is “Stamps to the Rescue”?

“Stamps to the Rescue” is the name of the promotion the Postal Service created to support its 2010 social awareness stamps, *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* — it’s the language on the collateral material in retail and it’s the URL for the special website that was launched when the stamps were unveiled on March 17.

How did Ellen DeGeneres and Halo get involved?

When the Postal Service issues a social awareness stamp, the goal is to generate awareness about the subject as much as possible. This year, the subject is *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet*, and the Postal Service wanted to work with individuals and organizations passionate about the subject that could assist in generating and increasing awareness nationwide. The Postal Service reached out to Halo, who, in turn, reached out to DeGeneres.

How is the Postal Service getting the message out about adopting shelter pets?

- The Postal Service is printing 300 million *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* stamps — 15 million sheets — that will be sold nationwide.
- There will be posters and counter cards in every one of the nearly 33,000 postal-owned or, -leased retail locations across the country promoting the stamps and the relationship with DeGeneres and Halo.
- Information will be posted on the Postal Service’s website, usps.com® and a microsite specially created for this promotion: www.stampstotherescue.com. This microsite has information about the stamps, the animals on the stamps, and the importance of animal adoption. Customers can pre-order stamps and collectible products on these websites.

Who are the pets depicted in the stamps?

The stars of this promotion are 10 shelter pets, all successfully adopted by loving families through the Animal Welfare Society of New Milford, Connecticut. Each cat and dog has a unique story, which is posted on www.stampstotherescue.com.

Where can people go for more information about the promotion?

www.stampstotherescue.com

Microsite

www.stampstotherescue.com

This Postal Service microsite was launched in conjunction with the unveiling of the stamps and features information about the stamps, pet adoption, and the importance of spaying/neutering pets, as well as links to related sites, such as American Humane Association, Humane Society of the United States, and www.petfinder.com.

The site also features a “thermometer” on the left-hand side that will initially show cans of Halo pet food increasing as sheets of stamps are pre-ordered. Once the million-meal mark has been reached, the thermometer will continue to display how many sheets have been pre-ordered, then sold after April 30.



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Search Petfinder.com

Animal Type

ZIP Code



You buy the stamps.
Halo buys the food for 1 million shelter pets.

[See the Stamps](#)

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Save Money On Halo Pet Food

Get special offers from Halo



Mark the Moment & Create an Adoption Certificate

Get one now at [USPS.com](#)



Meet the Pets

Pane of 20 with 10 animal images \$6.80

Quantity:

[Pre-Order Now](#)



Teddy Jack Russell Terrier



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Retail Material

This promotional campaign features posters and counter cards in postal retail lobbies nationwide.

Poster – Up March 17 and Down May 14

STAMPS TO THE RESCUE.
 YOU BUY THE STAMPS.* HALO BUYS THE FOOD FOR 1 MILLION SHELTER PETS.

Pre-order your stamps online now at STAMPSTOTHERESCUE.COM
 Available for purchase here April 30.



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Counter Card – Up March 17 and Down May 14

GIVE SHELTER PETS A FIRST-CLASS MEAL.
YOU BUY THE STAMPS.* HALO BUYS THE FOOD FOR 1 MILLION SHELTER PETS.

Pre-order your stamps online at STAMPSTOTHERESCUE.COM where you can also learn more about: Pet Adoption 101, the stamps, the campaign and promotional offers.

Stamps available for purchase here April 30.



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AAP10-FLZ-CC-305 Countercard

National Cancellation

In conjunction with the first day of issuance ceremony, this image will be used to cancel stamps on all automation equipment from April 30 through May 14.



Community/Grassroots Promotions — Local Events and Publicity Ideas to Interest the Media

There are many ways to generate local media interest in the *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* commemorative stamps.

The Postal Service will be working with the following organizations for the community relations portion of this campaign that will kick off on Saturday, May 1:

- American Humane Association.
- American Veterinary Medical Association.
- Humane Society of the United States.
- PetCo stores.
- Petfinder.com.
- PetSmart stores.

Stage a Kick-off Event

- Partner with a local shelter and host an “open house.” The Postal Service unveils the stamps, and the shelter has the opportunity to showcase not only pets, but its operation as well. Give tours. Provide snacks for humans and animals (a local pet supply retailer might be interested in donating something). Have animal control officers talk about their jobs. Hand out educational material to visitors — include what to expect when you adopt a cat or dog, tips for solving some common behavior problems, etc. Invite the local radio and TV stations to broadcast live.
- Get Postal Service representatives and retail clerks to attend existing events. As an example, PetCo and PetSmart locations around the country regularly host adoption fairs on site, and the stamps could be unveiled and sold there.
- Host an Information Fair. Unveil the *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* stamps in the parking lot of a Post Office, station, or branch. Invite animal control

officers, local veterinarians, and/or other animal services representatives to speak. Ask shelters to bring dogs and cats to encourage adoption. These types of events allow potential adopters to interact with the animals and sign up to adopt them on location.

- Conduct a pet food drive. When sending out information about the event, include language encouraging participants and customers to bring cat and/or dog food to donate to the local shelter.

Other Event Ideas

- Hold a poster or essay contest — with a theme of “the role of an animal shelter” or “responsible pet ownership” or even “the importance of spaying or neutering” — at a local elementary school a week before the above-mentioned open house. Then display all posters and essays. A committee of postal employees could choose the winners.
- Sponsor an essay-writing contest with the local schools (perhaps limit it to one grade such as sixth grade) on the subject of the importance of adopting shelter pets. Have the postmaster, a local veterinarian, the director of the local animal shelter, and a teacher judge the contest. Award a framed sheet of stamps or a blowup of the stamps to the winner.
- Sponsor an essay-writing and picture-drawing contest with local grade schools on “What My Pet Means to Me.” Hang some of the best essays and cutest drawings in local veterinarians’ offices and local animal shelters.
- Hold a pet and owner look-alike contest.
- Hold a celebrity pet look-alike contest.
- Hold a pet costume contest.
- Have a dog wash.
- Coordinate groups of children — children of postal employees, Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, 4-H Clubs, etc. — to write letters to shelter animals to be published in the local paper to promote adoption.
- Sponsor a pet show with local 4-H Clubs, Boy and Girl Scouts, Boys and Girls Clubs, etc., with a special category and special prize for adopted shelter pets.

Implement any of these ideas, combine them, or create others. Contact your local Corporate Communications and Government Relations representatives for assistance. Find contact information on the last page of this kit.

About Social Awareness Stamps

The U.S. Postal Service® began issuing social awareness stamps in the 1950s. They've been issued on a regular basis since 1970 and have included a wide variety of social awareness subjects such as the following:

1980s

Education/Learning Never Ends (1980)	Preservation of Wildlife Issue (1981)	Public Education (1985)
Organized Labor (1980)	Voluntarism (1983)	Help End Hunger (1985)
Coral Reefs Issue (1980)	Physical Fitness (1983)	Winter Special Olympics (1985)
Alcoholism/You Can Beat It! (1981)	Crime Prevention (1984)	Public Hospitals (1986)
American Red Cross (1981)	Soil and Water Conservation (1984)	Girl Scouts (1987)
International Year of the Disabled (1981)	International Youth Year Issue (1985)	

1990s

America's First Peacetime Draft (1991)	Helping Children Learn (1997)
AIDS Awareness (1993)	Women in Military Service (1997)
American Sign Language Issue (1993)	Breast Cancer Research semipostal (1998)
Kids Care Earth Day Issue (1995)	Organ & Tissue Donation (1998)
Prisoners of War and Missing in Action (1995)	Hospice Care (1999)
Women's Suffrage (1995)	Prostate Cancer Awareness (1999)
Breast Cancer Awareness (1996)	

2000–Present

Adoption (2000)	Child Health (2005)
Diabetes Awareness (2001)	Amber Alert (2006)
Mentoring a Child (2002)	Pollination (2006)
Spay and Neuter (2002)	Jury Duty (2007)
Sickle Cell Awareness (2004)	Alzheimer's Awareness (2008)

Past stamps that have included cats and/or dogs

- *Spay and Neuter* (2002).
- *Bright Eyes* (1998).
- *American Cats* (1988).
- *American Dogs* (1984).
- *Puppy and Kitten* (1982).
- *Seeing For Me* (1979).

Stamp Artwork

To obtain stamp enlargements, contact:

Victor Pulupa
Dodge Color
4827 Rugby Ave., Ste. 100
Bethesda, MD 20814-3028
Telephone: 240-247-1815

Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet Station — Pictorial Cancellation Art

To finalize the *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* station pictorial cancellation art, insert the date and the city, state, and ZIP™ Code of the physical location of your event where indicated.

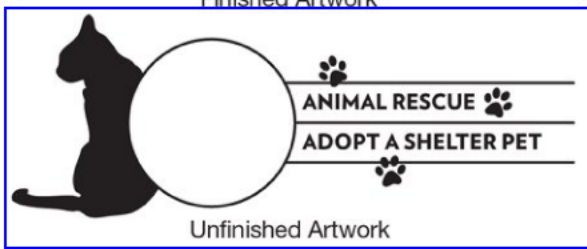
The Postal Service must make all special postmarks known to collectors through advance publicity in the *Postal Bulletin*. Therefore, all special dedication cancellations must be reported to Stamp Services 2 weeks before the events using PS Form 413, *Pictorial Postmark Announcement/Report*. To get a copy of the form, go to <http://blue.usps.gov/formgmt/pt.htm>.



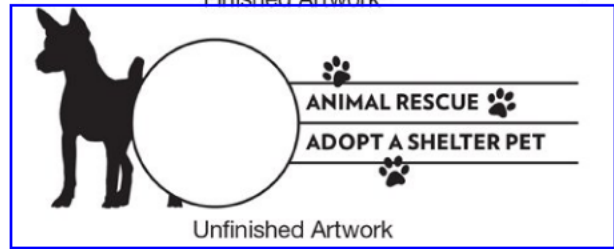
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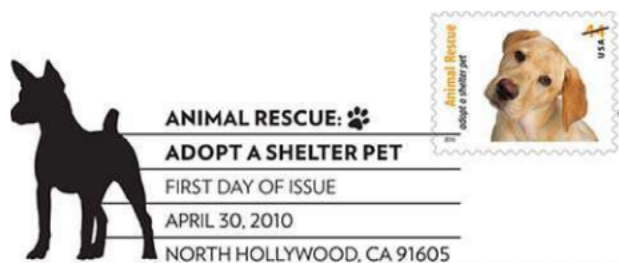
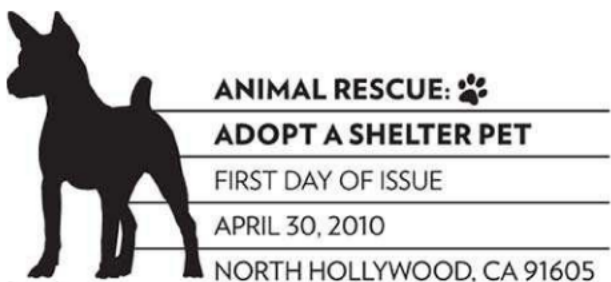
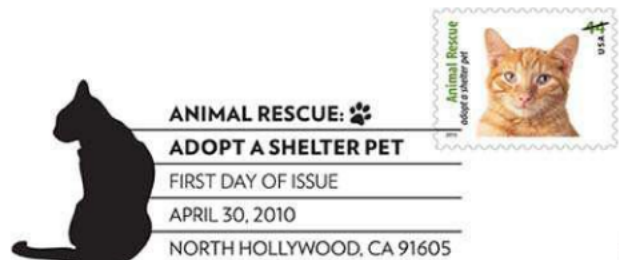
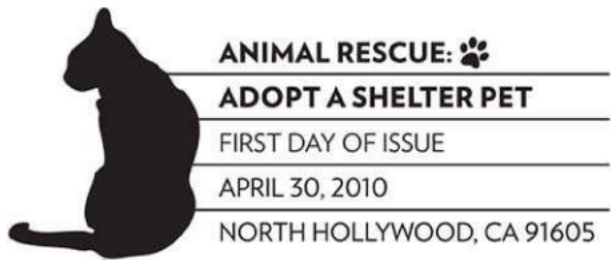
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Unfinished Artwork



First Day of Issue Postmark



Digital Color Postmarks



Philatelic and Retail Products

Animal Rescue: Adopt A Shelter Pet Products
 Available on usps.com/shop



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 Pane of 20 44-cent Stamps

\$8.80



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 Dog Adoption Certificate

\$4.95



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 Cat Adoption Certificate

\$4.95



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 Cat Diary

\$14.95



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 Dog Diary

\$14.95



Adopt a Shelter Pet
 Uncut Press Sheet

\$70.40



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 USA Philatelic Catalog Pack

\$9.95



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 Ceremony Program

\$6.95



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 Notecards

\$12.95



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 DCP Cancellation Keepsake

\$11.95



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 Digital Color Postmarks
 Set of 10

\$15.00



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 First Day Covers
 Set of 10

\$8.20



Dog Ceramic Mug

\$14.99



Cat Ceramic Mug

\$14.99



Ceramic Coasters
 (Cats)

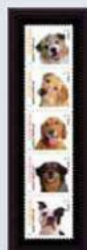
\$29.99



Ceramic Coasters
 (Dogs)



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 Cats Framed Art



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 Dogs Framed Art



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 Cats Framed Art



Adopt A Shelter Pet
 Dogs Framed Art

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Adopt A Shelter Pet
Dogs and Cats Framed Art

\$49.95



Adopt A Shelter Pet
Cats Giclee Print Art
15.25 x 30

\$49.95

Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet Certificate for Special Events

To support local offices conducting special events commemorating the issuance of the *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* stamps, a downloadable “adoption” certificate has been created.


Postmasters are encouraged to download the certificate, print it on paper of appropriate stock (24 lb. or more), and make it available at no charge to customers who purchase the *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* stamps at the event. The intent is to enable customers to affix their *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* stamp(s) to the certificate and have the certificate postmarked at the local event. After customers have added their personal pet information, they will have created their own unique *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* collectible keepsake.

To download the certificate, click [here](#).

Licensed Products

Licensed merchandise featuring *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* stamp images is available at www.stampstotherescue.com.

Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet Commemorative Stamps — Meet the Pets

Image	Name	Breed Or Color	Story
	Teddy	Wire-haired Jack Russell Terrier	The owners of Teddy's mother were surprised when she had the litter. They couldn't own another pet, so they gave Teddy and his litter mates away.
	Bianca	Calico	Bianca was adopted through a senior-to-senior program, which allows cats older than 6 years to be adopted by a senior citizen at no cost. (Bianca has since passed away, but was loved in her final years.)
	Buddy	Golden Retriever	Buddy is a purebred Golden Retriever who was purchased from a pet store. He had bad hips, and the family that purchased him couldn't care for him. He was given to the shelter.
	Frankie	Black, white, and tan with triangle on nose	Frankie was brought to the shelter with his mother and two litter mates. They were all very sick, and Frankie was the only one who survived.
	Jake	Boston Terrier	Jake was born in a puppy mill in Missouri. He was trucked to Connecticut and sold to a pet store. A family bought him, and after only 2 weeks decided it was too much work and gave him to the shelter.
	Willow	Maltese (Gray)	Willow was left in a box by the door of the shelter when she was small kitten. The animal control officer there adopted her.
	Trevor	Labrador Retriever	Trevor and his litter mates were found abandoned at 8–10 weeks of age at a new home construction site. They were rescued by the Labrador Retriever Rescue of Connecticut, Inc.
	Peaches	Gray, white, tan patch, and pink nose	Peaches was born under a porch. She and her litter mates were trapped, taken to the shelter, spayed and neutered, and put up for adoption when they were old enough.
	Bindi Su	Australian Shepherd	Bindi Su was born at an Australian Shepherd Rescue program after her mother was handed over after her owner didn't want to deal with another litter of puppies.
	Lucas	Orange Tabby	Lucas wandered into the yard of a shelter volunteer, who brought him to the shelter where he was neutered and made available for adoption.

(Yes, they were all adopted!)

2010 Companion Dog- and Cat-related Observances

The list below includes related national observances that could provide additional opportunities.

MAY

Be Kind to Animals Week, May 2–8

Sponsor: American Humane Association
800-227-4645
www.americanhumane.org

National Pet Week, May 3–9

Sponsors: American Veterinary Medical Association Auxiliary, American Animal Hospital Association, North American Veterinary Technicians Association, and American Veterinary Medical Association
800-248-2862
www.petweek.org

National Dog Bite Prevention Week, May 16–22

Sponsor: American Veterinary Medical Association
Telephone: 847-925-8070
www.avma.org

Note: Refer to the Dog Bite Awareness publicity kit that will be published in *Postal Bulletin* 22284 (5-6-10)

JUNE

Adopt-a-Cat Month, June

Sponsor: American Humane Association
800-227-4645
www.americanhumane.org

Adopt a Shelter Cat Month, June

Sponsor: American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
212-876-7700
www.aspca.org

JULY

Broadway Barks, July (second week)

Sponsor: Mary Tyler Moore and Bernadette Peters
www.broadwaybarks.org

AUGUST

International Homeless Animals Day, August 21

Sponsor: International Society for Animal Rights
800-543-4727
www.isaronline.org

OCTOBER

Adopt-a-Dog Month, October

Sponsor: American Humane Association
800-227-4645
www.americanhumane.org

Adopt a Shelter Dog Month, October

Sponsor: American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
Telephone: 212-876-7700
www.aspca.org

National Feral Cat Day, October 16

Sponsor: Alley Cat Allies
Telephone: 240-482-1980
www.alleycat.org/NFCD

NOVEMBER

Adopt a Senior Pet Month, November

Sponsor: American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals
Telephone: 212-876-7700
www.aspca.org

National Animal Shelter Appreciation Week, Nov. 7–13

Sponsor: Humane Society of the United States
Telephone: 202-452-1100
www.hsus.org

Puppy Mill Action Week, November 29–December 5

Sponsor: Humane Society of the United States
Telephone: 202-452-1100
www.hsus.org

Pet Adoption Facts

(Source: Humane Society of the United States)

Best Place to Find a New Best Friend

Animal shelters are the best source when looking for a pet. Not only do they have a great selection of adult animals for adoption, but they also have kittens and puppies, even purebred animals. In fact, on average, purebreds account for about 25 percent to 30 percent of a shelter's dog population.

Not Just Castoff Animals

While providing safe haven for animals remains a primary mission, shelters are adding programs designed to help caregivers solve problems, thus keeping animals from losing their homes in the first place. Most animals are given up because of a lack of understanding as to the commitment necessary to care for them before they are acquired. Many shelters now offer "puppy parenting" classes to help families understand the realities of companion animal care. They also offer training classes, behavioral counseling, information on pet-friendly rental properties, and even factual information on dealing with allergies.

If You Cannot Adopt — Volunteer

The local shelter could really use your help. Don't think your shelter needs you? Wrong. Some shelters have highly organized volunteer programs complete with time cards and performance reviews, while others have a loosely knit group of individuals who show up to help whenever they can. Either way, they can use your help. From the standard dog walking and cat entertaining to making the shelter an inviting place to visit by planting flowers outside or painting a room, there's definitely something you can do to help. Ask your vet to post pictures of shelter animals in his or her office, post signs for shelter events in your office cafeteria,

hold a dog and cat toy drive at work. It all helps, and to make sure you're giving the shelter what it needs most — ask first!

U.S. Pet Ownership Statistics

(Source: *American Pet Products Manufacturers Association 2009–2010 National Pet Owners Survey*.)

Dogs

- There are approximately 77.5 million owned dogs in the United States.
- Thirty-nine percent of U.S. households own at least one dog.
- Most owners (67 percent) own one dog.
- Twenty-four percent of owners own two dogs.
- Nine percent of owners own three or more dogs.
- The proportion of male to female dogs is even.
- Nineteen percent of owned dogs were adopted from an animal shelter.
- On average, dog owners spend \$225 on veterinary visits (vaccine, well visits) annually.
- Seventy-five percent of owned dogs are spayed or neutered.

Cats

- There are approximately 93.6 million owned cats in the United States.
- Thirty-three percent of U.S. households (or 38.2 million) own at least one cat.
- Fifty-six percent of owners own more than one cat.
- More female cats are owned than male cats (70 percent vs. 65 percent respectively).
- Twenty-two percent of owned cats were adopted from an animal shelter.
- Cat owners spent an average of \$203 on routine veterinary visits.
- Eighty-seven percent of owned cats are spayed or neutered.

Pet Overpopulation Statistics

(Source: *Humane Society of the United States*)

- Estimated number of cats and dogs entering shelters each year: 6–8 million.
- Estimated number of cats and dogs euthanized by shelters each year: 3–4 million.
- Estimated number of cats and dogs adopted from shelters each year: 3–4 million.

- Estimated number of cats and dogs reclaimed by owners from shelters each year: 30 percent of dogs and 2–5 percent of cats entering shelters.
- Estimated number of animal shelters in the United States: 3,500.
- Estimated percent of dogs in shelters that are purebred: 25 percent.

Resources

American Humane Association

americanhumane.org

American Veterinary Medical Association

avma.org

Humane Society of the United States

hsus.org

U.S. Veterinary Medical Schools and Colleges

www.aavmc.org/students_admissions/vet_schools.htm

These medical schools and colleges might be interested in participating in events planned in the respective locations. Contact information can be found at the link above.

Name	City	State
Auburn	Auburn	GA
Colorado State University	Fort Collins	CO
Cornell University	Ithaca	NY
Iowa State University	Ames	IA
Kansas State University	Manhattan	KS
Louisiana State University	Baton Rouge	LA
Michigan State University	Lansing	MI
Mississippi State University	Mississippi State	MS
North Carolina State University	Raleigh	NC
Ohio State University	Columbus	OH
Oklahoma State University	Stillwater	OK
Oregon State University	Corvallis	OR
Purdue University	West Lafayette	IN
Texas A&M	College Station	TX
Tufts University	North Grafton	MA
Tuskegee University	Tuskegee	AL
University of California, Davis	Davis	CA
University of Florida	Gainesville	FL
University of Georgia	Athens	GA
University of Illinois, Urbana	Urbana	IL
University of Minnesota	Minneapolis	MN
University of Missouri	Columbia	MO
University of Pennsylvania	Philadelphia	PA
University of Tennessee	Knoxville	TN
University of Wisconsin	Madison	WI
VA-MD Regional College	Blacksburg	VA
Washington State University	Pullman	WA
Western University of Health	Pomona	CA

Adoption and Pet Care

(Source: American Humane Association)

As soon as you enter an animal shelter, the temptation to adopt will be great. That's why it's so important to consider whether bringing an animal into your life is right for you before any adorable faces find their way into your heart.

Far too many animals in this country are initially loved and then neglected or abandoned over time because owners decide — too late — that caring for pets is more responsibility than they actually want.

The truth is that adopting a companion animal is a big step — one that will affect your lifestyle for many years. Have you thought about how a pet will be completely dependent on you for his or her entire life? What will happen if you decide to move? And have you considered whether your lifestyle and personality would make you a better dog owner or cat owner?

With good care, most dogs can live 12 to 15 years and most cats can live 15 to 20 years, so it is critical that you consider what is likely to be happening in your own life over the next 15 to 20 years before you adopt a pet.

Screening Animals for Adoption

While you are deciding on your family's pet criteria, shelters are screening animals for certain qualities, too. In addition to a health exam, many shelters perform a basic temperament screening to find animals that are friendly and sociable, both with people and other animals. Many larger shelters can also test dogs for arousal, possessiveness, aggression, separation anxiety, and tolerance.

Being Screened Yourself

When you finally find the perfect pet, be prepared to be screened yourself. Adoption counselors at the shelter will want to determine your commitment and ability to care for an animal. Be prepared to answer questions about your home and lifestyle, as well as your expectations and concerns about pet guardianship. Here's where all your preparation will really pay off — adoption counselors are always impressed with people who have thought about what they want in a pet before being asked.

Homeward Bound

Introducing a new pet to your home can be stressful for both you and your companion animal. This is especially true if there are children or other animals in the home. Being prepared ahead of time, however, will go a long way toward making the homecoming experience an easy one for everyone.

Make sure to have everything your pet will need — ID tag, food, bowls, leash, collar, dog den, toys — before you bring him or her home. In addition to preventing you from

having to leave an already confused animal home alone the first day, the presence of these items will help assure your new pet that everything is going to be all right.

Also, be sure to have your new companion animal examined either by the shelter veterinarian before you leave or by your own veterinarian as soon as possible. You'll want to make sure you're off to a healthy start!

Questions to Ask Before Adopting a Pet

(Source: American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals — ASPCA)

1. Why do you want to adopt a pet?

Are you looking for the loyal and steady companionship that an animal can offer? Are you hoping to fill the empty place left after a pet has passed? Maybe you want a companion for your child. Knowing why you're preparing to bring a pet home will help you to determine the species and breed that will fit your lifestyle.

2. Are you ready to make a long-term commitment?

When adopting, you are making a commitment to care for an animal for the rest of his life — that could mean 10 to 15 years for dogs and up to 20 years for cats. As you go through lifestyle changes such as moves, the birth of children, and new jobs, your animal will remain a permanent part of your life. If circumstances change, will you still be able to care for your pet?

3. Do you know what kind of pet is right for you?

Your personality and lifestyle, along with challenges such as space restrictions and amount of time spent at home, should be explored to determine what pet is right for your household. Research different breeds and ask shelter staffers what animals they recommend — they're experts at making perfect matches!

4. Can you afford to care for your pet's health and safety?

Owning a dog or cat costs more than the initial adoption fee. Food, veterinary care, spaying or neutering, and proper identification — that means a collar with tags and a more permanent form of ID such as microchipping — can add up.

5. Will you be able to spend quality time together?

Dogs thrive on several hours of exercise and companionship every day, and pooches constantly left alone can develop behavioral problems. Cats are healthiest and happiest indoors and love to be treated to energetic play sessions with their human families. If your work demands that you travel often, or if you're out of the house most days and evenings, this may not be the right time to adopt.

6. Are you prepared to deal with an animal's health challenges?

Fleas, allergies, and sudden medical issues are just a few of the health-related problems that potential pet owners may face. Can you care for your pet if he gets sick?

7. Are you willing to train your animal companion?

Lack of training is one of the most common reasons that adopters return pets to shelters — are you willing to solve behavior problems? Basic training helps dogs and their owners communicate better, strengthening the relationship overall. And taking the time to understand why your cat does what she does, especially when it involves her litter box and scratching habits, will help you avoid potential problems.

8. Are you prepared to pet-proof your home?

Whether it's tightly sealing your garbage cans or paying attention to dangerous decorations during the holidays, you'll need to make your home safe before adopting. That includes keeping toxic foods, pet-unfriendly plants, and dangerous household items out of paw's reach.

9. Is your living space adequate for an animal companion?

Be sure to choose an animal that will thrive in your home. If you're attracted to energetic large-breed dogs, but live in a small apartment, will your pooch have enough room? If you live on a noisy street, will it disturb your cat? Also consider that many landlords don't allow pets or place restrictions on having them. Be sure to check out your "house rules" before adopting.

10. Is your family ready for a pet?

If your kids are still toddlers, you might consider waiting a few years before adopting, as pet ownership ideally is a team effort. Children who are mature enough can happily share pet-care duties. You may also have another pet at home who's not yet — or may never be — ready to share his kingdom with another animal.

Where to Have Your Pet Spayed or Neutered

(Source: Humane Society of the United States)

Spaying and neutering are surgeries that are performed by a veterinarian. Some people have their pets spayed and neutered in a private veterinary practice, and there are also clinics that specifically provide spay/neuter services. Services provided at a private veterinary practice tend to cost more than those provided at a spay/neuter clinic. There are even spay/neuter clinics that provide services out of mobile

units. But no matter where you go, it is a procedure performed by a licensed veterinarian.

Making the decision to spay or neuter your pet is an important medical decision. Some people choose to consult with their vet to make the decision but obtain the procedure at a local, low-cost spay/neuter clinic.

Here are some ideas for locating low-cost surgery options:

Call your local animal shelter. They may operate a local clinic or know of a clinic that offers subsidized services. They may also offer vouchers to have your pet spayed or neutered at a lower cost by local, private veterinarians. You can find your shelter by searching online. You can also look in your phone book. Animal shelters are called by a variety of names, so check in the Yellow Pages under listings such as "animal shelter," "humane society," or "animal control."

Call your veterinarian. Your veterinarian may be able to work out special financing options for you. Remember that, even if you pay full price for the procedures, spaying or neutering is a one-time cost with a lifetime of benefits. Spaying or neutering your pet not only helps curb pet overpopulation, but also reduces your pet's risk of succumbing to many later health problems. It remains one of the best bargains in animal health care.

Contact your local animal shelter. They may run an ongoing spay/neuter clinic; know of a local, subsidized clinic; or offer vouchers for a discount at a local veterinary office.

Contact the HSUS state director. The Human Society's state directors are often familiar with organizations in their states, and they may be able to tell you of spay/neuter clinics or shelters in your area.

Spay/Neuter Services

The ASPCA Mobile Spay/Neuter/Vaccination Clinic offers free/reduced-cost vaccinations and spay/neuter surgery. 212-876-7700, ext. 4303.

You may wish to contact the following national organizations that provide assistance for low-cost spay/neuter services, certificates for participating veterinarians, and/or veterinary services:

Friends of Animals

Phone: 800 321-PETS (7387)

www.friendsofanimals.org/

National Headquarters

777 Post Road, Suite 205

Darien, CT 06820

Phone: 203-656-1522

Fax: 203-656-0267

New York Office

1841 Broadway, Suite 350
New York, NY 10023
Phone: 212-247-8120

Washington, DC Office

Washington, DC 20009
Phone: 202-986-1693/1694

Spay USA

Phone: 800 248-SPAY (7729)
www.spayusa.org/

- Spay Alabama: 866-9SPAY-AL or www.spayalabama.org
- Arizona: 866-952-SPAY or www.adlaz.org/spay/
- Spay California: 866-PET SPAY or www.spaycalifornia.org
- Spay Colorado: 866-654-SPAY or www.spaycolorado.org
- Spay Florida: 888-SPAYFLA or www.spayflorida.org
- Indiana Spay/Neuter Alliance: 866-957-SPAY
- Iowa: 888-9SPAY-IA
- Spay Massachusetts: 888-495-SPAY or www.spaymass.org
- Spay Michigan: 888-5SPAY-HELP or www.allaboutanimalsrescue.org/spaymichigan.html
- Mississippi Spay and Neuter: 866-901-SPAY or www.msspan.org
- New York City: Queens/Bronx/Brooklyn/Staten Island/Manhattan — 718-833-7988
- Spay North Carolina: 888-623-4936
- Spay Ohio: 877-644-6446 or www.spayohio.org
- Spay Texas: www.spaytexas.org
- Spay Virginia: 877-9VA-SPAY or www.spayva.org/
- Spay Washington: 877-4-SPAY-WA
- Spay Wisconsin: 877-510-PETS or www.animalfriendlywi.org/spaywi/

Hearts United for Animals

Phone: 402-274-3679
www.hua.org/

Headquartered in Auburn, Nebraska, the Hearts United for Animals (HUA) clinic offers spay and neuter services in four states: Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri, and Kansas.

View the Humane Society's state-by-state list of organizations that may provide reduced spay/neuter operations in local communities at http://www.humanesociety.org/animals/resources/tips/trouble_affording_pet.html.

National Dog Bite Prevention Week

Nearly 2,900 letter carriers were attacked by dogs last year, but that pales in comparison to the 4.5 million Americans who were needlessly victimized by dog attacks — the majority of which are children. To raise awareness of this nationwide issue, each year the Postal Service participates in National Dog Bite Prevention Week — May 16–22. This public safety campaign builds awareness to promote responsible pet ownership and reduce dog attacks.

How to Avoid Being Bitten by a Dog

- Don't run past a dog. The dog's natural instinct is to chase and catch prey.
- If a dog threatens you, don't scream. Avoid eye contact. Try to remain motionless until the dog leaves, then back away slowly until the dog is out of sight.
- Don't approach a strange dog, especially one that's tethered or confined.
- While letter carriers are discouraged from petting animals, people who choose to pet dogs should always let a dog see and sniff them before petting the animal.
- If you believe a dog is about to attack you, try to place something between yourself and the dog, such as a backpack or a bicycle.

How to Be a Responsible Dog Owner

- Spay or neuter your dog. Neutered dogs are less likely to bite.
- Obedience training can teach dogs proper behavior and help owners control their dogs.
- When a carrier comes to your home, keep your dog inside, away from the door in another room.
- Don't let your child take mail from the carrier in the presence of your dog. Your dog's instinct is to protect the family.
- Dogs that receive little attention or handling, or are left tied up for long periods of time, frequently turn into biters.

**POSTAL NEWS**

Date

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usps.com/news

Media Advisory

Stamps to the Rescue!

Postal Service Unveils New Social Awareness Stamps

WHAT: The U.S. Postal Service® will unveil the 2010 social awareness stamp subject — *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet*

WHO: [Name, District Manager
Name, Postmaster, City]

WHEN: [Date and Time]

WHERE: [Location address]

BACKGROUND: This sheet of stamps is part of the Postal Service's long-term commitment to raising awareness of important social issues...one letter at a time. The *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* commemorative stamps raise awareness of the importance of adopting companion animals from shelters to help prevent the senseless euthanizing of millions of animals every year.

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Press Release — When the Stamp Has Been Dedicated

Stamps to the Rescue!

New Stamps Encourage Pet Adoption...One Letter at a Time

(CITY) — A 50-year tradition continued today with the dedication of the U.S. Postal Service's latest social awareness stamp: *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet*. The sheet of stamps features photographs of five cats and five dogs from an animal shelter in Connecticut.

"With the issuance of these stamps, the Postal Service™ is continuing its long, proud history of raising awareness of important social issues ...one letter at a time," said **[Name and Title]**. Our goal is to increase public awareness of the problem and to promote humane and responsible pet care"

The *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* stamps were unveiled on *The Ellen DeGeneres Show* on March 17. The Postal Service has been working with DeGeneres and Halo: Purely for Pets, a company she co-owns, to promote the stamps and to bring greater attention to the cause. *Stamps to the Rescue* is the name of the promotional campaign the Postal Service created to provide additional information about the stamps and information on the importance of pet adoption.

Every year, 6 to 8 million cats and dogs enter animal shelters, and of that number, nearly half are euthanized. Although the problem seems overwhelming, the key to the solution is adopting a shelter pet when seeking a new companion animal and ensuring that the animal is spayed or neutered.

Cats and dogs have been featured on a few other U.S. postage stamps. A 13-cent stamp of a kitten and puppy playing in the snow was issued in 1982 for use on Christmas season postcards. In 1998, images of a cat and a dog were included in the *Bright Eyes* set of five pets.

The animals featured on the *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* commemorative stamps are photographs of cats and dogs from a shelter in New Milford, Connecticut, taken by veteran stamp photographer Sally Andersen-Bruce. Derry Noyes was the designer and art director.

How to Order the First Day of Issue Postmark

Customers have 60 days to obtain the first day of issue postmark by mail. They may purchase new stamps at their local Post Office™, at The Postal Store® at www.usps.com/shop or by calling 800-STAMP-24. They should affix the stamps to envelopes of their choice, address the envelopes to themselves or others and place them in a larger envelope addressed to:

Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet Stamps
c/o Postmaster
7035 Laurel Canyon Blvd.
Hollywood, CA 91605-9998

After applying the first day of issue postmark, the Postal Service will return the envelopes through the U.S. Mail. There is no charge for the postmark. All orders must be postmarked by June 30, 2010.

How to Order First-Day Covers

Stamp Fulfillment Services also offers first day covers for new stamp issuances and Postal Service stationery items postmarked with the official first day of issue cancellation. Each item has an individual catalog number and is offered in the quarterly *USA Philatelic Catalog*.

Customers may request a free catalog by calling 800-STAMP-24 or by writing to:

Information Fulfillment
Dept. 6270
U.S. Postal Service
PO Box 219014
Kansas City, MO 64121-9014

Philatelic Products

There are 10 philatelic products available for this stamp issuance:

■ 576094	Adopt a Shelter Pet Note Cards	\$12.95
■ 576077	<i>All About Your Best Friend</i> Book (Dog)	\$14.95
■ 576078	<i>All About Your Best Friend</i> Book (Cat)	\$14.95
■ 576068	Digital Color Postmark First Day Covers, Set of 10	\$15.00
■ 576071	Pet Adoption Certificate w/stamp & cancellation (Dog)	\$ 4.95
■ 576072	Pet Adoption Certificate w/stamp & cancellation (Cat)	\$ 4.95
■ 576099	Adopt a Shelter Pet Cancellation Keepsakes (1-cat, 1-dog)	\$11.95
■ 576063	First Day Covers, Set of 10	\$ 8.20
■ 576091	Ceremony Program	\$ 6.95
■ 576084	Uncut Press Sheet	\$70.40

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Rhode Island	Ken Currier	3616
South Carolina	Mary Ann Simpson	3741
South Dakota	Sheila Meyers	2353
Tennessee	Mary Ann Simpson	3741
Texas	Cathy Pagano	3427
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Publicity Kit: Flags of Our Nation Stamps

Stamp Overview

In 2010, the U.S. Postal Service® continues its *Flags of Our Nation* series with 10 more stamp designs that feature the *Stars and Stripes* plus the states of Montana through North Dakota. The stamps will go on sale April 16.

Design Brief

These *se-tenant* stamps (a philatelic term describing an attached pair, strip, or block of stamps that differ in design, color, or denomination) are arranged alphabetically in strips of 10 and sold in coils of 50 (five strips of 10 designs in each coil). Individual stamps will be twice the width of standard definitives.

Artist Tom Engeman, a resident of Bethany Beach, Delaware, created the detailed flag portraits on the stamps, reproducing as accurately as possible — considering the stamp-size format — such complex elements as intricate state seals and coats of arms. Over the years, the artist's colorful and imaginative designs have appeared on many Postal Service™ products, including the *National World War II Memorial* stamp (2004) and the nation's first *Forever® Stamp* (2007).

In addition to the flag art, each stamp design includes a “snapshot view” of the state or other area represented by a particular flag. This artwork, also by Tom Engeman, usually shows an ordinary scene or activity, or a typical plant or animal, but occasionally it depicts something less commonplace. It is not restricted to official animals, flowers, and products; nor is it meant to showcase familiar buildings, landmarks, and monuments. For the U.S. flag stamp designs, the artist created scenes inspired by the opening

lines of “America the Beautiful,” written by Katharine Lee Bates (1859–1929).

Order of Issuance

2008 — Set 1

- Alabama
- Alaska
- American Samoa
- Arizona
- Arkansas
- California
- Colorado
- Connecticut
- Delaware
- USA (Spacious Skies)

2008 — Set 2

- District of Columbia
- Florida
- Georgia
- Guam
- Hawaii
- Idaho
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Iowa
- Kansas

2010 — Set 4 Images



2009 — Set 3

- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maine
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Michigan
- Minnesota
- Mississippi
- Missouri
- USA (Waves of Grain)

2010 — Set 4

- USA (Purple Mountains)
- Montana
- Nebraska
- Nevada
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey
- New Mexico
- New York
- North Carolina
- North Dakota

2011 — Set 5

- Northern Marianas
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Oregon
- Pennsylvania
- Puerto Rico
- Rhode Island
- South Carolina
- South Dakota
- Tennessee

2012 — Set 6

- Texas
- Utah
- Vermont
- Virgin Islands
- Virginia
- Washington
- West Virginia
- Wisconsin
- Wyoming
- USA (Fruited Plain)

Stamp Art References — Set 4

The following statements describe each of the 10 stamps that will be issued in 2010:

1. Stars and Stripes

The 13 horizontal stripes represent the 13 original colonies; the 50 stars represent the 50 states. Snapshot art depicts the “purple mountain majesties” of “America the Beautiful,” by Katharine Lee Bates.

2. Montana

The blue field of the Montana flag contains a reproduction of the state seal, which includes symbols of agricultural and mineral wealth, as well as mountains, the sun, and the Great Falls of the Missouri River. Snapshot art shows a mountain lion in the snow.

3. Nebraska

At the center of the flag is the state seal, reproduced “in gold and silver, on a field of national blue.” Snapshot art depicts a center-pivot system irrigating a field.

4. Nevada

The flag displays a half wreath of sagebrush cradling a single star; a banner with the words “Battle Born” refers to Nevada’s admission to the Union during the Civil War. Snapshot art features ocotillos against a mountainous background.

5. New Hampshire

In this flag design, the state seal is centered on a field of blue, with a wreath of laurel leaves and nine stars surrounding it; the 18th-century frigate *Raleigh* can be seen at the center of the seal. Snapshot art features a loon swimming in a lake against a background of trees and mountains.

6. New Jersey

The buff-colored flag features the state seal; three plows on the shield portion of the seal refer to the Garden State’s agricultural tradition. Snapshot art depicts a sand sculpture on a beach in New Jersey.

7. New Mexico

The flag has an ancient sun symbol, in red, at the center of a yellow field. Snapshot art shows colorful hot-air balloons in flight with mountains in the background.

8. New York

This blue flag includes the state seal, which features “Liberty” and “Justice” standing beside a shield showing mountains, a golden sun, blue sky, and two sailing vessels on a river. Snapshot art depicts fireboats spouting water against a backdrop of skyscrapers.

9. North Carolina

At the center of the flag's blue union is a white star set between the state's initials; important dates in North Carolina history appear above and below the star and initials. Snapshot art shows a great blue heron, with the Cape Hatteras Lighthouse in the background.

10. North Dakota

The flag features an eagle clutching a bundle of arrows and an olive branch; the eagle's beak holds a ribbon with the words "E Pluribus Unum." Snapshot art shows elk grazing on a plain.

First Day of Issue and First Day of Sale Postmarks

The Postal Service™ has authorized a first day of issue postmark design for the first day of issue ceremony in New York City, where all 10 stamps in the coil will be dedicated on April 16, 2010. The Postal Service has also authorized a first day of sale postmark for dedication events held on April 16 in cities other than the officially designated first day of issue city. Customers have 60 days to obtain the first day of issue and the first day of sale postmarks by mail.



First Day of Issue Postmark

Customers have 60 days to obtain the first day of issue postmark by mail. They may purchase new stamps at the local Post Office™ facility, at The Postal Store® website at www.usps.com/shop, or by calling 800-STAMP-24. They should affix the stamps to envelopes of their choice, address the envelopes to themselves or others, and place them in a larger envelope addressed to:

Flags of Our Nation Stamp Set 4
Postmaster
421 Eighth Ave., Rm. 2029b
New York, NY 10199-9998

After applying the first day of issue postmark, the Postal Service will return the envelopes through the mail. There is no charge for the postmark. All orders must be postmarked by June 16, 2010.

Pictorial Postmarks

Stamp dedication events held on days following the first day of issue or first day of sale events are known as special dedication ceremonies. The first day of sale postmarks, shown in this section, may be modified for special dedication ceremonies. To use the first day of sale postmark artwork for a special dedication event, the "First Day of Sale" wording **must** be replaced with the name of the "Station" where the special dedication event will be held. The postmaster's city, state, and ZIP™ Code must also appear in the postmark, just under the banner.

Post Offices can offer these postmarks through mail-back service for 30 days. The Postal Service must make all postmarking services known to collectors through advance publicity in the *Postal Bulletin*. Therefore, all first day of sale and special dedication pictorial postmarks must be reported to Stamp Services 2 weeks before the events using PS Form 413, *Pictorial Postmark Announcement/Report*.

To get a copy of the form, go to <http://blue.usps.gov/formgmt/pt.htm>.



First Day of Sale State Postmarks

Guidelines for Finalizing First Day of Sale and Special Dedication Pictorial Postmarks

To finalize the first day of sale and special dedication pictorial postmarks, insert the date and the city, state, and ZIP Code of the postmaster of the city where the event will be held within the postmark banner.

Customers who want a copy of a singular postmark should affix the stamps to envelopes of their choice, address the envelopes to themselves or others, and place them in a larger envelope addressed to:

Flags of Our Nation
First Day of Sale Special Dedication Postmarks
Postmaster
[Address]
[City, State and ZIP+4 (as reported on PS Form 413)]

After applying the postmark, the Postal Service will return the envelopes through the mail. There is no charge for the postmark. All requests must be postmarked by June 16.

Stamp/Philatelic Products

The following stamp/philatelic products will be available for this stamp issuance:

Item Number	Product	Price
787663	First-Day Cover, Set of 10	\$8.20
787668	Digital Color Postmark, Set of 10	\$15.00
787691	Ceremony Program	\$6.95

Collect the entire series of the *Flags of Our Nation* stamps! Purchase our collector's Folio, Item No. 786575, \$29.95, which contains the Series 1 coil with mounts and placeholders for all of the *Flags of Our Nation* series stamps.

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INCLUDES a coil of 50 stamps featuring the first 10 designs (5 repeats) and mounts for all 60 stamps in the series

O beautiful for spacious skies...

Flags of Our Nation, an exciting multi-stamp series, features the Stars and Stripes, fifty state flags, five territorial flags, and the District of Columbia flag. Each stamp design includes artwork that provides a "snapshot" view of the area represented by that particular flag. Art for the Stars and Stripes stamps was inspired by the opening lines of "America the Beautiful"—celebrating spacious skies, amber waves of grain, purple mountain majesties and the fruitful plain. Preserve and display all 60 designs in this handsome folder. This colorful series will inspire enthusiasts of all ages, collecting *Flags of Our Nation* is a pastime the entire family will enjoy!

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- 60 designs issued over five years (2008-2012)
- 10 designs per set, issued as a coil of 50 stamps

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First Day of Issue, First Day of Sale, and Special Dedication Events

A first day of issue ceremony for the complete fourth set of the *Flags of Our Nation* stamps will be held in New York City, on April 16, 2010.

First day of sale ceremonies for the individual *Flags of Our Nation* stamps will also be held on April 16. Special dedication events will be held after April 16, and pictorial postmarks may be created using the first day of sale artwork, provided the word "Station" is depicted in the postmark.

First Day of Sale and Special Dedication Event Planning Checklist

When planning *Flags of Our Nation* first-day-of-sale and special dedication events, keep the following suggestions in mind:

- Begin planning immediately. Start by ordering sufficient stamps and products from the Stamp Distribution Office.
- Coordinate with your Government Relations representative as you reach out to the state governors, or other state officials, to determine the location of your event, and to invite participation by the local Travel Industry Association (TIA) representative (www.tia.org). You should secure Postal Service participants and other non-Postal Service participants including the head of the local Chamber of Commerce and local politicians.
- Launch a local publicity campaign using the materials in this kit.
- Draft a time line and remarks for speakers.
- Furnish a final briefing sheet to all ceremony participants.
- Plan retail opportunities encouraging sales of the stamps.
- Prepare local invitations to the event.
- Send news clippings to your area Corporate Communications local contacts.

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Pull-Out Information

Fraud

Domestic Order

False Representation. Enforced by postmasters at the cities listed below.

State, City ZIP Code	Names and Address Covered	Product
DC, Washington 20015-2601	U.S. Public Grant Advisors and USPGA, 5505 Connecticut Avenue NW, #385	Government grant program scheme

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Withholding of Mail Orders

Withholding of Mail Orders are enforced by postmasters at the cities listed below.

State, City ZIP Code	Names and Addresses Covered
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HI, Honolulu 96815-1809	Any and all names except Vaughn Sherwood, 1911 Kalakaua Avenue, Apt. 610
NJ, West Windsor 08550-3199	Any and all various names, 295 Princeton Highstown Road, #11-314
NY, New York 10007-2226	Any and all various names, 130 Church Street, #381
NY, New York 10118-0110	Any and all various names, 350 Fifth Avenue, Suite 3304, #8N

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Note: The first 6 digits of a 9-digit Custom Designed Service and Next Day Pickup Agreement make up the Corporate Account Number.

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 935 216 0312 to 0399
 935 843 2202 to 2247
 936 024 8889 to 8899
 936 339 4455 to 4499

Missing, Lost, or Stolen Canadian Money Order Forms

Do Not Cash — Upon Receipt, Notify Local Postal Inspectors

This listing will be provided to all Postal Service™ employees responsible for accepting and cashing postal money orders. Destroy all interim notices when the numbers listed appear in the *Postal Bulletin*. The new money order serial numbers consist of the first 9 digits. The 10th digit is a check digit only.

Do not cash outdated money orders **104 151 601 to 692 600 000**. Advise holders to send invalid money orders to: Canada Post Corporation, Ottawa, Canada K1A 0B1. Check for altered dollar amounts by holding money orders to the light.

719 869 731	to	9 760	728 702 338	to	2 400	734 950 111	to	0 170	742 408 771	to	8 830
720 227 871	to	7 930	728 915 371	to	5 850	735 120 331	to	0 840	742 512 120	to	2 150
720 227 949	to	7 960	728 953 141	to	3 410	735 283 008	to	3 020	742 684 849	to	4 890
720 368 543	to	8 570	728 954 280	to	4 310	735 293 131	to	3 220	742 839 553	to	9 630
720 392 151	to	2 570	729 169 081	to	9 140	735 635 010	to	5 040	742 913 668	to	3 700
720 556 491	to	6 640	729 363 841	to	3 870	735 783 961	to	3 990	742 917 287	to	7 296
720 558 621	to	8 650	729 682 891	to	3 190	735 803 401	to	3 430	742 921 891	to	1 980
720 575 361	to	5 570	729 838 940	to	9 070	736 005 420	to	5 440	742 983 631	to	3 810
720 590 152	to	0 179	729 839 101	to	9 130	736 366 021	to	6 110	743 020 021	to	0 170
721 638 331	to	9 170	730 077 683	to	7 840	736 624 456	to	4 500	743 206 491	to	6 500
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722 378 265	to	8 280	730 519 379	to	9 470	736 982 191	to	2 370	744 234 751	to	4 780
722 413 990	to	4 004	730 569 278	to	9 360	736 982 551	to	2 730	744 499 591	to	9 680
722 764 948	to	4 980	730 711 711	to	1 740	737 110 141	to	0 170	744 626 901	to	6 910
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723 237 616	to	7 630	730 888 291	to	8 320	737 517 781	to	7 840	746 818 351	to	8 410
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723 496 443	to	6 470	731 307 914	to	7 930	737 634 258	to	4 270	747 364 813	to	4 830
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725 202 735	to	2 750	732 067 972	to	8 370	739 740 151	to	0 180	749 685 421	to	5 450
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726 504 070	to	4 090	733 446 631	to	7 110	741 010 421	to	0 530	751 757 641	to	7 700
726 504 331	to	4 390	733 474 665	to	4 770	741 113 041	to	3 370	751 936 951	to	7 010
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726 599 371	to	9 460	733 751 041	to	1 130	741 452 369	to	2 490	751 999 021	to	9 110
726 626 356	to	6 370	734 009 101	to	9 130	741 492 991	to	3 140	752 139 516	to	9 570
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— Criminal Investigations Group, Postal Inspection Service, 3-25-10

Verifying U.S. Postal Service Money Orders

Follow these steps to cash a Postal Service™ money order:

1. Check that the amount does not exceed the legal limit: \$1,000 for domestic, and \$700 for international postal money orders.
2. Check that the proper security features are present:
 - When held to the light, a watermark of Benjamin Franklin is repeated from top to bottom on the left side.
 - When held to the light, a dark line (security thread) runs from top to bottom with the word “USPS” repeated.
 - There should be no discoloration around the dollar amounts, which might indicate the amounts were changes.
3. If the money order seems suspicious, call the U.S. Postal Service Money Order Verification System at 866-459-7822.

Please provide this information to local banks and retailers, as they also receive Postal Service money orders for cashing.

— *Special Services,
Retail Products and Services, 3-25-10*

Counterfeit Canadian Money Order Forms

Do Not Cash

To be posted and used by retail window employees. As directed, destroy previous notices. Destroy all interim notices when the numbers listed appear in the *Postal Bulletin*.

671,819,086	686,794,382
676,612,640	686,794,426
677,891,039	686,794,427
678,282,493	686,794,431
678,916,031	687,262,502
679,552,215	687,262,503
679,694,334	687,262,525
679,751,983	687,262,526
679,800,207	687,287,578
681,130,536	687,287,581
681,844,376	687,287,582
683,594,542	694,063,898
684,683,610	694,063,899
686,619,878	694,063,980
686,619,886	701,321,725
686,619,887	

— *Criminal Investigations Group,
Postal Inspection Service, 3-25-10*

Toll-Free Number Available to Verify Canadian Money Orders

The Canada Post Corporation is now providing a toll-free number that cashing agents can call to verify the validity of Canadian Postal Money Orders. The number is 800-563-0444.

This toll-free number is printed on the back of the Canadian Postal Money Orders.

— *Criminal Investigations Group,
Postal Inspection Service, 3-25-10*

Other Information

Overseas Military/Diplomatic Mail

Mail addressed to military and diplomatic post offices overseas is subject to certain conditions or restrictions of mailing regarding content, preparation, and handling. The APO/FPO/DPO table below outlines these conditions by APO/FPO/DPO ZIP™ Codes through the use of footnoted mailing restrictions codes (see the [Restrictions](#) page following the table).

Acceptance clerks should use the table with the integrated retail terminal (IRT) or POS ONE terminal to determine which APO/FPO/DPO ZIP Codes are active and which conditions of mailing apply. **Acceptance clerks may contact the Military Postal Service Agency with**

any questions regarding APO/FPO/DPO ZIP Codes, toll free, at 800-810-6098, Monday–Friday, 0730–1600 ET.

For Express Mail Military Service (EMMS) availability, all acceptance clerks must refer to the local hardcopy EMMS directory.

The entries under “Changes” appear in bold in the APO/FPO/DPO table starting below.

Effective with this publication, the “B” series restrictions have been modified to clarify the correct customs declaration form use (PS Form 2976 or PS Form 2976-A) for items addressed to APO, FPO, and DPO locations.

Changes

APO/FPO/DPO	Action	Effective Date	See Restrictions
APO AE 09368	Open	Immediately	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-V-Z1
DPO AE 09813	Add I, L, Q, Z; Remove F2	Immediately	A-A1-B-B2-C-C1-E2-E3-F-F1-I-L-N-Q-R-R1-T-V-Z-Z1
FPO AP 96629	Open	Immediately	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V

We have eliminated “Not Active” entries from the table below to save space and paper.

APO/FPO/DPO Table

APO/ FPO/ DPO	See Restrictions	APO/ FPO/ DPO	See Restrictions	APO/ FPO/ DPO	See Restrictions	APO/ FPO/ DPO	See Restrictions
09002	A1-B-C-D-U	09063	A1-B-C-D-L-U	09138	A1-B-C-D-U	09302	A-A1-B-C1-F-F1-M-N-V-V1-Z-Z1
09003	A1-B-C-D-P-U	09067	A1-B-C-D-U	09139	A1-B-C-D-U	09304	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-V-Z1
09004	A1-B-C-D-U	09068	A1-B-C-D-U-Z1	09140	A1-B-C-D-U	09305	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-V-Z1
09005	A1-B-C-D-P-U	09069	A-A1-B-C-D-U-V	09142	A1-B-C-D-F-F1-P-R-U	09306	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-R-R1-U2-V-Z1
09006	A1-B-C-D-U	09075	A1-B-C-D-U	09143	A1-B-C-D-U	09307	A1-B-N-V-Z1
09007	A1-B-C-D-U	09079	A1-B-C-D-U	09154	A1-B-C-D-U	09308	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-V-Z1
09008	A-A1-B-C-D-P-U	09080	A1-B-C-D-F1-R-U	09172	A1-B-C-D-U	09309	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-V-Z1
09009	A1-B-C-D-F1-R-U	09081	A1-B-C-D-U	09173	A1-B-C-D-U	09310	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-V-Z1
09011	A1-B-C-D-U	09086	A1-B-C-D-U	09177	A1-B-C-D-U	09311	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-V-Z1
09012	A1-B-C-D-F-F1-R-U	09088	A1-B-C-D-U	09180	A1-B-C-D-U	09312	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-R-R1-U2-V-Z1
09013	A1-B-C-D-F-F1-U-Z1	09090	A1-B-C-D-P-U	09186	A1-B-C-D-U	09314	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-V-Z1
09014	A1-B-C-D-U	09092	A1-B-C-D-U	09211	A1-B-C-D-P-U	09315	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-N-R-R1-V-Z1
09020	A1-B-C-D-U	09094	A1-B-C-D-F-F1-P-R	09213	A1-B-C-D-F1-R-U	09316	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-U2-V-Z1
09021	A1-B-C-D-F1-R-U	09095	A1-B-C-D-U	09214	A1-B-C-D-F1-R-U	09317	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-V-Z1
09028	A1-B-C-D-U	09096	A1-B-C-D-U	09226	A1-B-C-D-U	09318	A-A1-B-C1-F-F1-M-N-V-V1-Z-Z1
09033	A1-B-C-D-U	09099	A1-B-C-D-U	09227	A1-B-C-D-U	09320	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-V-Z1
09034	A1-B-C-D-U	09100	A1-B-C-D-U	09229	A1-B-C-D-U		
09038	A1-B-C-D-U	09102	A1-B-C-D-U	09237	A1-B-C-D-U-V		
09042	A1-B-C-D-U	09103	A1-B-C-D-U	09245	A1-B-C-D-U		
09046	A1-B-C-D-U	09104	A1-B-C-D-F1-R-U	09250	A1-B-C-D-U		
09049	A1-B-C-D-U	09107	A1-B-C-D-U	09261	A1-B-C-D-F1-R-U-V		
09051	A1-B-C-D-U	09112	A1-B-C-D-U	09263	A1-B-C-D-U		
09053	A1-B-C-D-U	09114	A1-B-C-D-U	09264	A1-B-C-D-U		
09054	A1-B-C-D-U	09123	A1-B-C-D-F1-R-U	09265	A1-B-C-D-F1-N-R-U		
09055	A1-B-C-D-F-R-R1-U-V	09126	A1-B-C-D-F-F1-P-R	09266	A1-B-C-D-U		
09056	A1-B-C-D-U	09128	A1-B-C-D-U	09267	A1-B-C-D-U		
09058	A1-B-C-D-U	09131	A1-B-C-D-U	09301	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-V-Z1		
09059	A1-B-C-D-U	09136	A1-B-C-D-F1-R				
09060	A1-B-C-D-F1-R-U	09137	A1-B-C-D-F1-R-U				

APO/ FPO/ DPO	See Restrictions	APO/ FPO/ DPO	See Restrictions	APO/ FPO/ DPO	See Restrictions	APO/ FPO/ DPO	See Restrictions
09321	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-V-Z1	09366	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-V-Z1	09504	A1-B-V	09610	A1-B-C-F-F1-R-U-V
09322	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-R-R1-U2-V-Z1	09368	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-V-Z1	09505	A1-B-V	09613	A1-B-C-F-U-V
09327	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-V-Z1	09369	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-V	09506	A1-B-V	09617	A1-B-C-F-U
09330	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-V-Z1	09371	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-V	09507	A1-B-V	09618	A1-B-C-F-U
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		09494	A1-B-C-C1-R-U	09589	A1-B-V	09714	A1-B-C-C1-F1-M-R-R1-U
		09496	A1-B-C-C1-R-U-V	09590	A1-B-V	09715	A1-B-F1-R
		09498	A1-B-C-C1-F-F1-F2-N-R-R1-T-U-V-Z1	09591	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V	09716	A1-B-C-D-N-R-U-V
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		09502	A1-B-V	09594	A1-B-V	09718	A1-B-F-I-N-R-U-V
		09503	A1-B-V	09596	A1-B-V	09719	A1-B-C-F1-R-V
				09599	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V	09720	A1-B-R-U-V
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				09606	A1-B-C-D-U-V	09727	A-A1-B-B2-C-C1-D-F-I-M-N-Q-R-R1-T-V-Z-Z1
				09607	A-A1-B-C-F-F1-M-R-R1-U-U3-V-W	09729	A1-B-C-F-N-R-R1-U-V
				09608	A1-B-C-F-N-U-V	09730	A-A1-B-B2-C-C1-F-M-N-R-R1-T-V-Z1
				09609	A1-B-C-F-U	09731	A-A1-B-B2-C-C1-F-M-N-R-R1-T-V-Z1

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		09870	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-U-V-Z1			96271	A-A1-B-U
		09880	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-R-R1-U-V-Z1			96275	A-A1-B-V
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						96278	A-A1-B-U
						96283	A-A1-B-U

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96310	A1-B-M-W	96401	A1-B-F-N-V-Z1	96550	A-A1-B-H-M-U-V	96628	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96319	A1-B-M-W	96426	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-V	96551	A-A1-B-H-M-U	96629	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96321	A1-B-F-F1-F2-H-M-W	96427	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-M-R-R1-V	96552	A1-B-B1	96643	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96322	A1-B-F-F1-F2-H-M-W	96447	A1-B-F-N-U3-V-V1	96553	A-A1-B-F-F1-H-M-U	96650	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96323	A1-B-M-V-W	96501	A-A1-B-N-V	96554	A-A1-B-H-M-U	96657	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96326	A1-B-M-W	96502	A1-B-F-N-U3-V	96555	A1-B-F-M-V	96660	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96328	A1-B-M-W	96503	A1-B-F-N-U3-V	96557	A1-B-F-M-V	96661	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96330	A1-B-M-W	96507	A-A1-B-F-V	96562	A-A1-B-B2-C-C1-D-E2-E3-F-F1-H-H1-I-M-N-R-R1-T-V-Z-Z1	96662	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96336	A1-B-M-V-W	96510	A1-B-I-N-V	96595	A1-B-V	96663	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96337	A1-B-M-W	96511	A1-B-I-N-V	96598	A1-B-N-V	96664	A1-B-V
96338	A1-B-M-W	96515	A1-B-D-F-U3	96599	A1-B-N-V	96665	A1-B-V
96339	A1-B-M-V-W	96516	A1-B-D-F	96601	A1-B-V	96666	A1-B-V
96343	A1-B-M-W	96517	A1-B-F-U3-V	96602	A1-B-V	96667	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96346	A1-B-F-F1-F2-H-M-V-W	96518	A1-B-V	96603	A1-B-V	96668	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96347	A1-B-F-F1-F2-H-M-W	96520	A1-B-F-N-U3-V	96604	A1-B-V	96669	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96348	A1-B-F-F1-F2-H-M-W	96521	A1-B-F-N-U3	96605	A1-B-V	96670	A1-B-V
96349	A1-B-F-F1-F2-H-M-W	96522	A1-B-F-N-U	96606	A1-B-V	96671	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96350	A1-B-F-F1-F2-H-M-W	96530	A-A1-B-F-F1-H-H1-M-N-U-V	96607	A1-B-V	96672	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96351	A1-B-F-F1-F2-H-M-W	96531	A-A1-B-F-F1-H-M-N-U-V	96608	A1-B-V	96673	A1-B-V
96352	A1-B-F-F1-F2-M-W	96532	A-A1-B-F-F1-H-M-N-U-V	96609	A1-B-V	96674	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96365	A1-B-M-V-W	96534	A-A1-B-F	96610	A1-B-V	96675	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96367	A1-B-L-M-W	96535	A-A1-B-F-V	96611	A1-B-V	96677	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96368	A1-B-M-W	96537	A1-B-V	96612	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V	96678	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96370	A1-B-F-F1-F2-H-M-W	96538	A1-B-V	96613	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-I-M-R-R1-U2-V-Z-Z1	96679	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V
96372	A1-B-M-W	96540	A1-B-V	96614	A-A1-B-C1-E2-F-H1-I-M-R-R1-U2-V-Z-Z1	96681	A1-B-V
96373	A1-B-M-W	96541	A1-B-V	96615	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V	96682	A1-B-V
96374	A1-B-M-W	96542	A1-B-V	96616	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V	96683	A1-B-V
96375	A1-B-M-W			96617	A1-B-F-F1-R-R1-V	96686	A1-B-V
96376	A1-B-M-W					96687	A1-B-V
96377	A1-B-M-W					96698	A1-B-V
96378	A1-B-M-W						

RESTRICTIONS

LEGEND

PS Form 2976, *Customs — CN 22 (Old C 1) and Sender's Declaration* (green label)

PS Form 2976-A, *Customs Declaration and Dispatch Note*

AAFES	= Army and Air Force Exchange Service
APO	= Army/Air Force Post Office
Box R	= Retired military personnel
DMM	= <i>Domestic Mail Manual</i>
DPO	= Diplomatic Post Office
FPO	= Fleet Post Office
MOM	= Military Ordinary Mail
MPO	= Military Post Office
PAL	= Parcel Airlift
PSC	= Postal Service Center
SAM	= Space Available Mail
USDA	= United States Department of Agriculture

Note: Mail order catalogs are prohibited as SAM or PAL mail.

A. Securities, currency, or precious metals in their raw, unmanufactured state are prohibited. Official shipments are exempt from this restriction.

A1. Mail addressed to "Any Servicemember," or similar wording such as "Any Soldier," "Sailor," "Airman," or "Marine"; "Military Mail"; etc., is prohibited. Mail must be addressed to an individual or job title such as "Commander," "Commanding Officer," etc.

B. Regardless of mail class, a customs declaration form is required for all items weighing 16 ounces or more, or any item (regardless of weight) containing potentially dutiable mail contents (e.g., merchandise) addressed to an APO, FPO, or DPO ZIP Code. PS Form 2976 is required for items weighing less than 16 ounces, and PS Form 2976-A is required for items weighing 16 ounces or more. No customs form is required for items weighing less than 16 ounces when the contents are not potentially dutiable (e.g., documents). When the surface area of the address side of the mailpiece is not large enough to contain a PS Form 2976-A, the smaller PS Form 2976 may be substituted (e.g., the Priority Mail Small Flat Rate Box). The following exceptions apply:

- Known mailers are exempt from providing customs documentation on nondutiable letters or printed matter. (A known mailer is a business mailer who enters volume mailings through a business mail entry unit (BMEU) or other bulk mail acceptance location, pays postage through an advance deposit account, uses a permit imprint for postage payment, and submits a completed postage statement at the time of entry that certifies that the mailpieces contain no dangerous materials that are prohibited by postal regulations.)
- All federal, state, and local government agencies whose mailings are regarded as "Official Mail" are exempt from providing customs documentation on any item addressed to an APO, FPO, or DPO, except for those APOs/FPOs/DPOs to which restriction "B2" applies.
- Prepaid mail from military contractors is exempt, providing the mailpiece is endorsed "Contents for Official Use — Exempt from Customs Requirements."

B2. All federal, state, and local government agencies must complete customs documentation when sending potentially dutiable mail addressed to or from this APO, FPO, or DPO.

C. Cigarettes and other tobacco products are prohibited.

C1. Obscene articles, prints, paintings, cards, films, videotapes, etc., and horror comics and matrices are prohibited.

D. Coffee is prohibited.

E1. Medicines or vaccines not conforming to French laws are prohibited.

E2. Any matter depicting nude or seminude persons, pornographic or sexual items, or nonauthorized political materials is prohibited. Although religious materials contrary to the Islamic faith are prohibited in bulk quantities, items for the personal use of the addressee are permissible.

E3. Radio transceivers, cordless telephones, global positioning systems, scanners, base stations, and handheld transmitters are prohibited.

F. Firearms of any type are prohibited in all classes of mail. See definitions of firearms in DMM 601.11.1.1c. This restriction does not apply to firearms mailed to or by official U.S. government agencies. The restriction for mail to this APO/FPO/DPO ZIP Code does not apply to firearms mailed from this APO/FPO/DPO ZIP Code, provided ATF and USPS regulations are met. Antique firearms are a separate category defined in DMM 601.11.2 and ATF regulations; they do not require an ATF form.

F1. Privately owned weapons addressed to an individual are prohibited in any class of mail.

F2. Importation of firearms is restricted to one shotgun and one single shot.22 caliber rifle per individual.

G. Only letters, flats, and Periodicals are authorized. Parcels of any class are prohibited.

H. Meats, including preserved meats, whether hermetically sealed or not, are prohibited.

H1. Pork or pork by-products are prohibited.

I. Mail of all classes must fit in a mail sack. Mail may not exceed the following dimensions:

- Maximum length 20 inches.
- Maximum width 12 inches.
- Maximum height 12 inches.

The maximum length and girth combined may not exceed 68 inches.

This restriction does not apply to registered mail and official government mail marked MOM.

I1. This restriction does not apply to registered mail.

I2. This restriction does not apply to official government mail marked MOM.

J. Parcels may not exceed 108 inches in length and girth combined.

K. Mail that includes in the address the words, "Dependent Mail Section," may consist only of letter mail, newspapers, magazines, and books. No parcel of any class containing any other matter may be mailed to the Dependent Mail section. This restriction does not apply if the address does not include the words "Dependent Mail Section."

L. All official mail is prohibited.

M. Fruits, vegetables, animals, and living plants are prohibited.

N. Registered mail is prohibited.

O. Delivery status information for Extra Services is not available on USPS.com.

P. APO is used for the receipt and dispatch of official mail only.

Q. Mail may not exceed 66 pounds, and size is limited to 42 inches maximum length and 72 inches maximum length and girth combined.

R. All alcoholic beverages, including those available under DMM 601.11.7, are prohibited.

R1. Materials used in the production of alcoholic beverages (i.e., distilling material, hops, malts, yeast, etc.) are prohibited.

S. Mail of all classes must fit in a mail sack. Mail may not exceed the following dimensions and weight:

- Maximum length 12 inches.
- Maximum width 12 inches.
- Maximum height 5 1/2 inches.
- Maximum weight 25 pounds.

The maximum length and girth combined may not exceed 47 inches.

T. Mailings of case lots of food and supplemental household shipments must be approved by the sender's parent agency prior to mailing.

U. Parcels must weigh less than 16 ounces when addressed to Box R. This restriction does not apply to mail endorsed "Free Matter for the Blind or Handicapped."

U1. Mail is limited to First-Class Mail weighing 13 ounces or less when addressed to Box R. This restriction does not apply to mail endorsed "Free Matter for the Blind or Handicapped." Videotapes are prohibited when addressed to Box R, regardless of weight.

U2. Mail is limited to First-Class Mail letters only when addressed to Box R.

U3. Mail is limited to First-Class Mail correspondence (including voice and video cassettes), newspapers, magazines, photographs, not exceeding 16 ounces, when addressed to Box R.

V. Express Mail Military Service (EMMS) not available from any origin.

V1. Delivery Confirmation service is not available.

W. Meat products, such as dried beef, salami, and sausage, may be mailed, provided they remain in their original, hermetically sealed packages and bear USDA certification. Other meats, bones, skin, hair, feathers, horns or hoofs of hoofed animals, wool samples, tobacco leaves, including chewing and pipe tobacco, snuff, cigars, and cigarettes, or obscene material, including obscene drawings, photographs, films, and carvings, are prohibited. Exception: 200 grams of tobacco per parcel are permitted duty free.

X. Personal mail is limited to First-Class Mail items (to include audio cassettes and voice tapes) weighing 13 ounces or less. This limitation does not apply to official mail.

Y. Mail is limited to First-Class and Priority Mail items only. All Periodicals, Standard Mail items, and Package Services items (including SAM and PAL) are not authorized. This restriction also applies to official mail.

Z. No outside pieces (OSPs).

Z1. The following restriction is applicable only to International Service Centers (ISC)/Exchange Offices. An Anti-Pilferage Seal (Item No O817E or O818A) is required on all pouches and sacks.

Thrift Savings Plan Fact Sheet

Returns were updated February 1, 2010.

ANNUAL RETURNS	G Fund	F Fund	LBA Bond Index	C Fund	S&P 500 Stock Index	S * Fund	Wilshire 4500 Stock Index	I * Fund	EAFE Stock Index
1994	7.22	-2.96	-2.92	1.33	1.32	—	-2.66	—	7.75
1995	7.03	18.31	18.47	37.41	37.58	—	33.48	—	11.27
1996	6.76	3.66	3.63	22.85	22.96	18.52	17.18	6.27	6.14
1997	6.77	9.60	9.65	33.17	33.36	26.61	25.69	1.46	1.55
1998	5.74	8.70	8.69	28.44	28.58	7.51	8.63	20.46	20.09
1999	5.99	-0.85	-0.82	20.95	21.04	32.70	35.49	26.81	26.72
2000	6.42	11.67	11.63	-9.14	-9.10	-8.76	-15.77	-14.11	-14.17
2001	5.39	8.61	8.44	-11.94	-11.89	-2.22*	-2.52*	-15.42*	-14.88*
2002	5.00	10.27	10.26	-22.05	-22.10	-18.14	-17.80	-15.98	-15.94
2003	4.11	4.11	4.10	28.54	28.69	42.92	43.84	37.94	38.59
2004	4.30	4.30	4.34	10.82	10.88	18.03	18.10	20.00	20.25
2005	4.49	2.40	2.43	4.96	4.91	10.45	10.03	13.63	13.54
2006	4.93	4.40	4.33	15.79	15.79	15.30	15.28	26.32	26.34
2007	4.87	7.09	6.97	5.54	5.49	5.49	5.39	11.43	11.17
2008	3.75	5.45	5.24	-36.99	-37.00	-38.32	-39.03	-42.43	-43.38
2009	2.97	5.99	5.93	26.68	26.46	34.85	37.43	30.04	31.78

*Rates of return for May (inception of S and I Funds) through December 2001.

MONTHLY RETURNS	G Fund	F Fund	LBA Bond Index	C Fund	S&P 500 Stock Index	S * Fund	Wilshire 4500 Stock Index	I * Fund	EAFE Stock Index
2009									
March	0.24	1.38	1.39	8.81	8.76	8.64	8.62	7.20	6.34
April	0.21	0.49	0.48	9.58	9.57	15.00	15.03	12.13	12.80
May	0.25	0.78	0.73	5.60	5.59	3.97	4.16	13.41	11.83
June	0.27	0.54	0.57	0.24	0.20	0.73	0.84	-1.08	-0.57
July	0.28	1.59	1.61	7.58	7.56	8.66	9.01	9.74	9.13
Aug	0.28	1.03	1.04	3.62	3.61	3.85	3.74	4.87	5.44
Sept	0.26	1.07	1.05	3.74	3.73	5.94	5.81	3.79	3.83
Oct	0.26	0.51	0.49	-1.86	-1.86	-5.51	-5.41	-2.41	-1.25
Nov	0.26	1.30	1.29	6.00	6.00	3.85	3.98	3.16	2.00
Dec	0.25	-1.55	-1.56	1.94	1.93	6.57	6.65	1.43	1.44
2010									
Jan	0.29	1.54	1.53	-3.60	-3.60	-2.43	-2.39	-5.17	-4.41
Feb	0.24	0.38	0.37	3.11	3.10	4.89	4.83	0.06	-0.69
LAST 12 MONTHS	3.12	9.40	9.32	53.84	53.62	67.44	68.44	56.07	54.58

Fund	Invested In	Index Tracked
G — Government Securities Investment Fund	Special issues of U.S. Treasury securities	N/A
F — Fixed Income Index Investment Fund	Barclays U.S. Debt Index Fund	Lehman Brothers U.S. Aggregate bond index
C — Common Stock Index Investment Fund	Barclays Equity Index Fund	S&P 500 stock index
S — Small Capitalization Stock Index Investment Fund	Barclays Extended Market Index Fund	Wilshire 4500 stock index
I — International Stock Index Investment Fund	Barclays EAFE Index Fund	Europe, Australasia, and Far East stock index

Future performance of the funds will vary and may be significantly different from the returns shown above. See the *Summary of the Thrift Savings Plan* for detailed information about the funds and their investment risks. The monthly returns of the TSP Funds represent net earnings for the month after deduction of accrued administrative expenses and, except for the G Fund, after deduction of trading costs and accrued investment management fees as well. The returns for the four indexes shown do not include any of these deductions.

* Implemented May 2001.

See next page for new L Funds.

Returns were updated February 1, 2010.

L Funds

Annual Returns	L 2040	L 2030	L 2020	L 2010	L Income
2006	16.53	15.00	13.72	11.09	7.59
2007	7.36	7.14	6.87	6.40	5.56
2008	-33.53	-27.50	-22.77	-10.53	-5.09
2009	25.19	22.48	19.14	10.03	8.57
Monthly Returns	L 2040	L 2030	L 2020	L 2010	L Income
2009					
Mar	7.08	6.30	5.35	2.82	2.06
Apr	9.38	8.20	6.79	3.20	2.37
May	6.19	5.45	4.66	2.28	1.70
June	0.09	0.12	0.14	0.24	0.26
July	7.01	6.16	5.16	2.44	1.94
Aug	3.41	3.02	2.57	1.30	1.07
Sept	3.56	3.14	2.63	1.32	1.08
Oct	-2.15	-1.81	-1.39	-0.38	-0.26
Nov	3.98	3.55	3.00	1.47	1.27
Dec	2.12	1.85	1.50	0.70	0.59
2010					
Jan	-2.88	-2.49	-2.03	-0.58	-0.45
Feb	2.18	1.94	1.61	0.81	0.74
LAST 12 MONTHS	47.08	41.00	33.95	16.67	13.05

The L Funds are invested in the five individual TSP funds.

Publicity Kit: Flags of Our Nation Stamps

(continued)

Suggested Planning Timeline for First Day of Sale and Special Dedication Events

Action	Suggested Timing
1. Send invitations to local and area dignitaries.	A few weeks before event
2. Send announcements and invitations to employees.	A few weeks before event
3. Distribute public service announcement to radio/TV.	A few weeks before event
4. Distribute news release.	A few weeks before event
5. Distribute media advisory to all news media.	1 week before event
6. Remind invited dignitaries about event via telephone.	5 days before event
7. Redistribute media advisory to all news media.	1 to 2 days before event
8. Make follow-up calls to local news media.	1 day before event
9. Distribute day-of-issuance news release.	Day of event
10. Send letter to newspaper editor thanking community.	1 day after event
11. Send media clips to area Corporate Communications manager.	Within 1 week after event

Note: If you have any questions or need assistance with any of these items, please notify your Corporate Communications local contact.

First Day of Sale and Special Dedication Event Tips

Before the event

Send a written invitation 2 weeks before the event to the mayor of your community and any other local elected officials you feel would be appropriate. The local postmaster or district manager should sign the invitations.

Follow up on the written invitation with a telephone call to the elected official's scheduler within a week if you have not received a reply. You may need to call more than once.

Keep in touch with all elected officials who respond. If asked, provide updated information to the elected official's staff as it becomes available (such as who else is participating, where and when to meet, what his or her role will be, etc.). Stress that remarks should be brief and limited to the unveiling of the *Flags of Our Nation* stamps and recognition of the role of the U. S. Postal Service in celebrating the state's majestic flag, our nation's natural features and cultural diversity, and our mission to bind the nation together through affordable, universal service.

If you create a program, include names of all participating elected officials on the program as honored guests, and mention them in all media advisories.

After the event

Send a written thank you letter to all elected officials who participated in the ceremony, expressing your appreciation.

Provide copies of any newspaper articles about the event to their offices. Even though they might see those articles on their own, you can take the opportunity to remind them of the press coverage the event received.

Provide a small supply of extra cachets or covers with the special cancellation, if applicable, to elected officials, even to those who could not attend. These make great giveaways and serve as a positive reminder of the event.

Obtain and frame a photo of the elected official posing beside the stamp image and make an appointment to present it in person, if possible. A matted, well-framed photograph stands a good chance of being hung on the wall of the official's office, again serving as a positive reminder of the event.

Keep in touch with your elected officials. Good relationships are built over time.

Publicity Ideas

The release of these stamps offers an ideal opportunity for postal communities in each state to celebrate their flag and connect with residents and community leaders. There are many ways to generate local media interest in the stamps.

- Host a *Flags of Our Nation* celebration of the diversity of your local community. Invite community members to display ethnic foods, arts, and crafts and perform music and dance. Invite caretakers of local historic and scenic venues (e.g., historic buildings, lighthouses, state forests, large parks, and lakes) to have displays at the celebration.
- Host a press conference announcing the issuance of the *Flags of Our Nation* stamps. Participants might include the postmaster and the head of the local Chamber of Commerce.
- Develop a state flag display at your Post Office and invite operators of local historic houses, renovated factories, riverboats, lighthouses, etc., and local Chambers of Commerce to contribute images for a colorful patriotic display.
- Plan an event at the local library or other public location and include a display of an enlargement of the new stamp for your state flag. Invite appropriate speakers including congressional, civic, and community leaders.

- Invite groups of children — children of postal employees, Boy Scout and Girl Scout troops, 4H Clubs, etc. — to write and illustrate letters about “What My State Flag Means to Me” to be published in the local newspaper.
- Invite groups of children to write “Letters about Our State Flag” to be displayed in the local library or community center, written to a real or imaginary friend about “Great Things to See and Do in [insert your state name here].”

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Speech Segments

The following suggested speech segments are for use at local ceremonies and events. Feel free to customize them to fit your local event and community.

Opening

Good **[Insert Morning/Afternoon]**.

It's a great honor for me to represent the United States Postal Service today as we dedicate the **[Insert State Name]** *Flags of Our Nation* stamp. It's a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our beloved state flag and to share our pride with the nation by using these stamps on our correspondence.

With this stamp, the Postal Service continues its tradition of celebrating our nation's diverse gifts and natural treasures.

Flag Series

For nearly 140 years, the *American Flag* has been a perennial stamp favorite of the American people. Our flag was first featured in 1869 on the *Shield Eagle and Flags* stamp. And it has been making highly applauded curtain calls ever since.

We love our flag as a symbol of our country's unity and pride and the values we hold dear. We revere our flag as a potent reminder that we are one nation, united and indivisible.

Our flag also tells a story. In the 13 stripes, we are reminded of the heroic actions taken by the 13 colonies to form a new nation dedicated to the principle that all people are created equal.

Against a field of blue, we see 50 shining stars — one for each of the 50 states. And each of those states has its own unique history and traditions. Each state brings something very special and important to our national union.

Today, we are here to celebrate one of those shining stars. Today, it is our privilege to pay tribute to the great state of **[Insert State Name]**. We are here to honor **[Insert State Name]** history, her beauty, and her contributions to our union. And what better way to do that than with the sovereign symbol of our state, the proud flag of **[Insert State Name]**.

Like the stars in our Star Spangled Banner, the stamp we are about to unveil is part of something greater. Over the next 2 years, the Postal Service will continue unveiling the rest of the 60-stamp series including the *Stars and Stripes*, and the remaining state and territorial flags.

And each of these stamps will also portray a local snapshot that captures a bit of the local natural wonder that inspired the beloved song "America the Beautiful."

Localization [Insert information on your own state here. Montana is given below as a sample. In keeping with the theme, the focus is on natural beauty.] (Source: *State tourism website*.)

Montana is a state in the Western United States. Montana's nickname is the "Treasure State." Other nicknames include "Land of Shining Mountains," "Big Sky Country," and the slogan "The Last Best Place." The western third of the state contains numerous mountain ranges; other 'island' ranges are found in the central third of the state, for a total of 77 named ranges of the Rocky Mountains. This geographical fact is reflected in the state's name, derived from the Spanish word *montaña* (mountain). With a land area of 145,552 square miles, the state of Montana is the fourth largest in the United States (after Alaska, Texas, and California).

The economy is primarily based on ranching, wheat farming, oil, and coal in the east; lumber, tourism and hard rock mining in the west.

Montana is a great place to live and visit. Millions of tourists annually visit:

- Glacier National Park.
- The Battle of Little Bighorn site.
- Three of the five entrances to Yellowstone National Park.

Montana is bordered by the Canadian Provinces of British Columbia, Alberta, and Saskatchewan on the north, Idaho on the west, Wyoming on the south, and North Dakota and South Dakota on the east.

Montana is America the beautiful. And, today, all Americans are proud to celebrate that beauty!

Closing

The majestic **[Insert State Name]** *Flags of Our Nation* stamp will also serve as a lasting reminder of the Postal Service's commitment to our role in binding the nation together through universal service at affordable rates, regardless of which state, territory, or city you call home.

And now, if **[Insert Names of Ceremony Participants]** would join me in unveiling the **[Insert State Name]** *Flags of Our Nation* stamp.

(Photo Opportunity)

I appreciate this opportunity to introduce this stamp to our customers and friends in this community. Thank you again for taking the time to join us here today for this momentous occasion.

Sample Invitation

[Insert Date]

[Insert Name]

[Insert Title]

[Insert Name of Organization]

[Insert Street Address]

[Insert City, State, ZIP+4]

Attention: Scheduler:

Dear [Insert Title and Name]:

On behalf of the [Insert Name of District or Post Office] and the United States Postal Service®, I am pleased to invite you to participate in the dedication of the *Flags of Our Nation* postage stamps at [Insert Exact Location] on [Insert Date] at [Insert Time]. While this coil of stamps honors 9 state flags and the *Stars and Stripes* flag, our ceremony will highlight the special role of the [Insert State Name] state flag stamp.

Flags of Our Nation stamps celebrate a multistamp series, in coil form, featuring the *Stars and Stripes*, the 50 state flags, five territorial flags, and the District of Columbia flag. Ten stamps, Set 1, were issued in spring 2008 (*Stars and Stripes*, plus Alabama through Delaware). Ten stamps, Set 2, were issued in fall 2008 (District of Columbia through Kansas). Ten more stamps, Set 3, were issued in summer 2009 (*Stars and Stripes*, plus Kentucky through Missouri). The same process will be repeated in 2011 and 2012, for a total of 60 stamp designs. Four of the six groups of 10 will include a *Stars and Stripes* stamp.

At the dedication ceremony, you will be invited to speak briefly about the significance of the [Insert State Name] state stamp. We plan a unique photo opportunity for the dedication and expect significant press coverage of the ceremony. We hope you will join us to commemorate our past and celebrate our future by renewing the common bonds of the American experience.

Please confirm your participation by calling [Name of Contact] at [Telephone Number] by [Cut-Off Date]. We look forward to having you join us at the event.

Sincerely,

[Sign]

[Insert District Manager or Postmaster's Name]

["District Manager" or "Postmaster"]

U.S. Postal Service

[Insert City, State, ZIP+4]

Sample Thank You Letter

[Insert Date]

[Insert Name]

[Insert Title]

[Insert Name of Organization]

[Insert Street Address]

[Insert City, State, ZIP+4]

Dear [Insert Title and Name]:

On behalf of the United States Postal Service®, I want to thank you for joining us during our special ceremony dedicating our state flag stamp from the *Flags of Our Nation* stamp series. It was a wonderful event for [Insert Name of Community], and your participation helped make it a great success.

All of us in the Postal Service™ are extremely proud of the role our organization has played as a community leader and in commemorating many of the people, places, and events that have made our nation great. The stamp unveiling ceremony was a wonderful way to share our pride in our state flag's proud heritage with our friends and neighbors here in [Insert Name of Community].

I am enclosing copies of our special pictorial cancellation [if applicable] for you to share with your constituents, as well as copies of press clippings and photographs that recorded the event [if applicable].

The Postal Service will continue to provide reliable, cost-effective service through the ongoing development of our world-class communications network. I look forward to working with you on future community events. If I can be of assistance with any postal matter, please contact me at [Telephone Number].

Sincerely,

[Sign]

[Insert District Manager or Postmaster's Name]

["District Manager" or "Postmaster"]

U.S. Postal Service

[Insert City, State, ZIP+4]

Sample Letter to the Editor

[Insert Date]

[Insert Name]

[Insert Title]

[Insert Name of Publication]

[Insert Street Address]

[Insert City, State, ZIP+4]

Dear **[Insert Title and Name]:**

The employees of the **[Insert City Name]** Post Office™ wish to thank the citizens of **[Insert City Name]** for their enthusiasm and support in making yesterday's release of the *Flags of Our Nation* postage stamps a successful event for our community and for the U.S. Postal Service®.

Writing and sending greetings is a tradition that has preserved our nation's history and changed lives — particularly in times of war and in times of personal triumph and tragedy. Unlike other communications, written correspondence is timeless, personal, and immediately tangible.

Our nation's commemorative stamp program has been developed over the past 100 years largely through the participation of the American people. Your stamp ideas and suggestions are instrumental in helping the Postal Service™ honor some of the greatest achievements and achievers that have made our country great.

We believe the *Flags of Our Nation* **[Insert State]** stamp, and the nine other stamps in this set, represent important steps in our effort to recognize the history and majesty of the great flags of our nation.

Whether by providing universal mail service to everyone, everywhere, every day, or through our responsibilities as a community leader, the Postal Service will continue to work hard to deliver quality communications services across the country and right here in **[Insert City Name]**.

Sincerely,

[Sign]

[Insert Postmaster's Name]

Postmaster

U.S. Postal Service

[Insert City, State, ZIP+4]

— *Community Relations,*
Corporate Communications, 3-25-10

Policies, Procedures, and Forms Updates

Manuals

DMM Revision: Deposit of APO, FPO, DPO, and U.S. Territory Mailpieces Bearing a Customs Declaration — Update

Effective April 5, 2010, the Postal Service™ will revise *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM®)* 503.9.2.4, 503.10.2.3, 608.2.4, and 703.2.3 to authorize additional deposit options for items that bear a customs declaration when mailed to APO, FPO, DPO destinations, and to U.S. territories, possessions, and Freely Associated States.

Recent enhancements by authorized PC Postage® providers now allow registered end-users to generate a combined shipping, postage, and customs declaration label, which also bears an electronic round date. These enhancements will provide mailers additional options and greater flexibility for depositing mailpieces bearing a customs declaration when mailed to an APO, FPO, DPO destination, or to a U.S. territory, possession, or Freely Associated State.

Additionally, we will revise the tables in DMM 503.9.2.4 and 503.10.2.3 to be consistent with the new table format showing the U.S. territories, possessions, and Freely Associated States in 608.2.4. All three tables now consist of four columns which include the ZIP™ Code destination, the two-letter state abbreviation, the city name, and the full name of the U.S. territory, possession, or Freely Associated State.

Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM)

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500 Additional Mailing Services

503 Extra Services

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9.0 Delivery Confirmation

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9.2 Basic Information

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9.2.4 Ineligible Matter

Delivery Confirmation is not available for the following:

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- g. Mail addressed to ZIP Codes in the following U.S. territories, possessions, or Freely Associated States:

[Revise table in 9.2.4g as follows:]

ZIP Code	Two-Letter State Abbreviation	City	Territory, Possession, or Freely Associated State
96939	PW	Palau	Palau
96940	PW	Palau	Palau
96941	FM	Pohnpei	Federated States of Micronesia
96942	FM	Chuuk	Federated States of Micronesia
96943	FM	Yap	Federated States of Micronesia
96944	FM	Kosrae	Federated States of Micronesia
96952	MP	Tinian	Northern Mariana Islands
96960	MH	Majuro	Marshall Islands
96970	MH	Ebeye	Marshall Islands

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10.0 Signature Confirmation

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10.2 Basic Information

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10.2.3 Ineligible Matter

Signature Confirmation is not available for the following:

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- f. Mail addressed to ZIP Codes in the following U.S. territories, possessions, or Freely Associated States:

[Revise table in 10.2.3f as follows:]

ZIP Code	Two-Letter State Abbreviation	City	Territory, Possession, or Freely Associated State
96939	PW	Palau	Palau
96940	PW	Palau	Palau
96941	FM	Pohnpei	Federated States of Micronesia
96942	FM	Chuuk	Federated States of Micronesia
96943	FM	Yap	Federated States of Micronesia
96944	FM	Kosrae	Federated States of Micronesia

ZIP Code	Two-Letter State Abbreviation	City	Territory, Possession, or Freely Associated State
96952	MP	Tinian	Northern Mariana Islands
96960	MH	Majuro	Marshall Islands
96970	MH	Ebeye	Marshall Islands

600 Basic Standards for All Mailing Services

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608 Postal Information and Resources

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2.0 Domestic Mail

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2.4 Customs Forms Required

2.4.1 Priority Mail Weighing 16 Ounces or More

[Revise 608.2.4.1 as follows:]

Regardless of contents, all Priority Mail weighing 16 ounces or more sent from the United States to the ZIP Code destinations listed in the table below, and all Priority Mail sent from these ZIP Code destinations to the United States, must bear a properly completed PS Form 2976-A, *Customs Declaration and Dispatch Note CP 72*. If PS Form 2976-A will not fit on the address side of the mailpiece, a PS Form 2976, *Customs Declaration CN 22*, must be used.

ZIP Code	Two-Letter State Abbreviation	City	Territory, Possession or Freely Associated State
96799	AS	Pago Pago	American Samoa
96910	GU	Hagatna	Guam
96912	GU	Dededo	Guam
96913	GU	Barrigada	Guam
96915	GU	Santa Rita	Guam
96916	GU	Merizo	Guam
96917	GU	Inarajan	Guam
96919	GU	Agana Heights	Guam
96921	GU	Barrigada	Guam
96923	GU	Mangilao	Guam
96928	GU	Agat	Guam
96929	GU	Yigo	Guam
96931	GU	Tamuning	Guam
96932	GU	Hagatna	Guam
96939 & 96940	PW	Palau	Palau
96941	FM	Pohnpei	Federated States of Micronesia
96942	FM	Chuuk	Federated States of Micronesia

ZIP Code	Two-Letter State Abbreviation	City	Territory, Possession or Freely Associated State
96943	FM	Yap	Federated States of Micronesia
96944	FM	Kosrae	Federated States of Micronesia
96952	MP	Tinian	Northern Mariana Islands
96960	MH	Majuro	Marshall Islands
96970	MH	Ebeye	Marshall Islands

[Redesignate current 2.4.2 as new 2.4.4, and insert new 2.4.2 and 2.4.3 as follows:]

2.4.2 Enter and Deposit—Items Requiring a Completed Customs Declaration

Except as provided in 2.4.3, a mailer may not deposit an item that requires a completed customs declaration into a collection box, Postal Service lobby drop, Automated Postal Center (APC) drop, customer mailbox, or at a Postal Service dock or other unattended location. In addition, these mailpieces are precluded from Pickup on Demand service and Carrier Pickup service under 507.6. Customers must present such items to an employee at a Post Office retail service counter. The Postal Service will return improperly presented items to the sender for proper entry and acceptance.

2.4.3 Items Bearing a Completed Customs Declaration With an Electronic Round Date

Items under 2.4.1 that have the mailing label, customs declaration (including an electronic round date), and postage prepared and paid online through an authorized PC Postage vendor Web site may be deposited only as follows:

- a. At a Postal Service retail counter.
- b. Through Pickup on Demand service.
- c. Through Carrier Pickup service.
- d. Into a Postal Service lobby drop.
- e. Into an Automated Postal Center (APC) drop.
- f. In a U.S. Postal Service collection box.
- g. In the mailing customer’s residential or business mailbox.

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700 Special Standards

703 Nonprofit Standard Mail and Other Unique Eligibility

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2.0 Overseas Military Mail

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2.3 General Restrictions

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[Revise heading and text of 703.2.3.6 and add new 2.3.7 through 2.3.9 as follows:]

2.3.6 Customs Declarations—When Required

Except as provided in 2.3.7, any mailpiece weighing 16 ounces or more that is addressed to an APO, FPO, or DPO destination ZIP Code must bear a customs declaration PS Form 2976 or 2976-A, as shown in the “Overseas Military/Diplomatic Mail” section of the *Postal Bulletin*.

2.3.7 Customs Declarations—Exceptions

The following exceptions to the customs declaration requirement are provided for items addressed to an APO, FPO, or DPO destination ZIP Code:

- a. Known mailers are exempt from providing customs documentation on nondutiable letters and printed matter weighing 16 ounces or more. A known mailer is a business mailer who enters volume mailings through a business mail entry unit (BMEU) or other bulk mail acceptance location, pays postage through an advance deposit account, uses a permit imprint for postage payment, and submits a completed postage statement at the time of entry that certifies the mailpieces contain no dangerous materials that are prohibited by postal regulations.
- b. All federal, state, and local government agencies whose mailings are regarded as “Official Mail” are exempt from providing customs documentation on mail addressed to an APO, FPO, or DPO except for those APOs/FPOs/DPOs to which restriction “B2” applies as required in the Restriction Legend of the “Overseas Military/Diplomatic Mail” section of the *Postal Bulletin*.
- c. Prepaid mail from military contractors is exempt, providing the mailpiece is endorsed “Contents for Official Use — Exempt from Customs Requirements.”

2.3.8 Enter and Deposit—Items Requiring a Completed Customs Declaration

Except as provided in 2.3.9, a mailer may *not* deposit an item that requires a completed customs declaration into a collection box, Postal Service lobby drop, Automated Postal Center (APC) drop, customer mailbox, or at a Postal Service dock or other unattended location. In addition, these mailpieces are precluded from Pickup on Demand service and Carrier Pickup service under 507.6. Customers must present such items to an employee at a Post Office retail service counter. The Postal Service will return improperly presented items to the sender for proper entry and acceptance.

2.3.9 Items Bearing a Completed Customs Declaration With an Electronic Round Date

Items sent to APO, FPO, or DPO addresses that have the mailing label, customs declaration (including an electronic round date), and postage prepared and paid online through the an authorized PC Postage vendor Web site may be deposited only as follows:

- a. At a Postal Service retail counter.
- b. Through Pickup on Demand service.
- c. Through Carrier Pickup service.
- d. Into a Postal Service lobby drop.
- e. Into an Automated Postal Center (APC) drop.
- f. In a U.S. Postal Service collection box.
- g. In the mailing customer’s residential or business mailbox.

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We will incorporate these revisions into the next printed version of the DMM and into the monthly update of the online DMM available via Postal Explorer® at <http://pe.usps.com>.

— Mailing Standards, Pricing, 3-25-10

DMM Revision: Parcel Return Service Mailer ID Clearance

Effective April 5, 2010, the Postal Service™ will revise *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM®) 507.13.4.4.h2*, which gives mailers the option to change the label format by reducing the required clearance space between the Parcel Return Service Mailer Identification (ID) characters and the edges of the printed box from 3/16 inch to 1/16 inch. This revision provides customers the option to increase the mailer ID font size within the printed box and provide better visibility of the mailer ID during processing.

Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM)

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13.0 Parcel Return Service

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13.4 Label Formats

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13.4.4 Label Format Elements

***The following elements are required:

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h. ***An individual mailer ID must appear in the lower right corner as follows:

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[Revise item 13.4.4.h2 as follows:]

2. The mailer ID must be at least 3/16 inch high and be surrounded by a box, with a clearance of at least 1/16 inch between the mailer ID characters and the edges of the box.

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We will incorporate this revision into the next printed version of the DMM and into the monthly update of the online DMM, which is available via Postal Explorer® at <http://pe.usps.com>.

— Mailing Standards, Pricing, 3-25-10

DMM Revision: Express Mail Open and Distribute and Priority Mail Open and Distribute Changes and Updates

Effective April 5, 2010, the Postal Service™ will revise *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM®) 705.16, Express Mail Open and Distribute and Priority Mail Open and Distribute*, to improve efficiencies in processing and to control costs.

The Open and Distribute feature of Express Mail® and Priority Mail® service allows customers to expedite the transportation of shipments of other classes of mail to destination facilities using Express Mail or Priority Mail service.

Currently, for customers using USPS®-provided letter trays for Priority Mail Open and Distribute, the Postal Service™ provides the option to use sacks, USPS-supplied tray boxes, or Label 23, an adhesive label which must be affixed to the letter tray. Tray boxes were introduced April 6, 2009, to address Open and Distribute customers' concerns that a USPS-provided letter tray sleeve might not maintain the integrity of all mail inside a letter tray during processing. With the introduction of tray boxes, Label 23 is no longer needed and the Postal Service is discontinuing its use. Customers now have the option to place their trays in either sacks or Open and Distribute tray boxes, which are more secure. The Open and Distribute tray boxes are provided free of charge by the Postal Service to all Open and Distribute customers and are available for both half-size and full-size trays.

The Postal Service is also discontinuing the optional use of facsimile Tags 190 and 161. Customers must now use USPS-supplied Tags 190 and 161, which are easy to identify. This change will help ensure visibility of the product for accurate and efficient processing of Open and Distribute containers.

In addition, the Postal Service is updating the standards to reflect the following:

- Open and Distribute containers must remain unsealed until the business mail entry verification and acceptance of the contents have been completed, unless accepted under an alternate procedure authorized by Business Mailer Support.
- PS Form 3152, *Confirmation Services Certification*, must be submitted with each mailing.
- Containers must not exceed the 70-pound weight limit.

Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM)

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700 Special Standards

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705 Advanced Preparation and Special Postage Payment Systems

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16.0 Express Mail Open and Distribute and Priority Mail Open and Distribute

16.1 Prices and Fees

16.1.1 Basis of Price

[Add new second sentence to 16.1.1 to clarify the maximum weight as follows:]

The maximum weight for each container is 70 pounds.

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16.1.5 Payment Method

[Revise the fourth sentence of 16.1.5 to eliminate Label 23 as follows:]

***Priority Mail postage must be affixed to or hand-stamped on green Tag 161, pink Tag 190, to the Open and Distribute tray box, or be part of the address label.

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16.5 Preparation

16.5.1 Containers for Expedited Transport

Acceptable containers for expedited transport are as follows:

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[Revise item b to remove the reference to Label 23 as follows:]

- b. A Priority Mail Open and Distribute shipment must be contained in either a USPS-approved sack using Tag 161 or Tag 190 or a USPS-provided Priority Mail Open and Distribute tray box (Tag 161 and 190 are not required for tray boxes, only the 4x6 address label should be applied), except as provided in 16.5.1c and 16.5.1d.

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16.5.4 Tags 161 and 190—Priority Mail Open and Distribute

[Revise the first sentence of the introductory paragraph of 16.5.4 to remove the optional use of facsimiles as follows:]

Tag 161 and Tag 190 provide a place to affix Priority Mail postage and the address label for the destination facility.***

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[Revise the second sentence in item b to remove the option of a facsimile to read as follows:]

- b. ***This tag also must be affixed to containers used for Priority Mail Open and Distribute shipments prepared under 16.5.1c or 16.5.1d.

[Revise heading of 16.5.5 to read as follows:]

16.5.5 Tray Boxes—Express Mail Open and Distribute and Priority Mail Open and Distribute

[Revise 16.5.5 to read as follows:]

As an alternative to sacks for Express Mail Open and Distribute and Priority Mail Open and Distribute shipments,

unless prepared under 16.5.1c or 16.5.1d, mailers may use USPS-supplied tray boxes for this service. Mailers must place a 1-foot or 2-foot letter tray into the appropriate size tray box.

16.5.6 Address Labels

[Revise the first sentence of 16.5.6 by removing Label 23 as follows:]

In addition to Tag 157, Tag 161, or Tag 190, USPS-supplied containers and envelopes and mailer-supplied containers used for Express Mail Open and Distribute or Priority Mail Open and Distribute must bear an address label that states "OPEN AND DISTRIBUTE AT:" followed by the facility name.***

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16.6 Enter and Deposit

[Revise the heading of 16.6.1 to read as follows:]

16.6.1 Verification

[Delete the second sentence in 16.6.1 and add new second sentence as follows:]

***Open and Distribute containers must not be sealed until the BMEU verification and acceptance of the contents has been completed, unless accepted under an alternate procedure authorized by Business Mailer Support.

[Add new 16.6.2, Entry, as follows:]

16.6.2 Entry

A PS Form 3152, *Confirmation Services Certification*, must accompany each shipment. Mailers must present shipments to the BMEU with enough time for acceptance, processing, and dispatch before the facility's critical entry time for Express Mail or Priority Mail.

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We will include these revisions in the next printed edition of the DMM and in the next update of the online DMM on Postal Explorer® at <http://pe.usps.com>.

DMM Revision: Extension of Not Flat-Machinable Prices and Eligibility of Mailpieces Specifically Approved as Automation Flats

Effective April 5, 2010, the Postal Service™ will revise the *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM®)* 301.3.3 to extend automation flats eligibility of pieces approved via the Pricing and Classification Service Center (PCSC) beyond May 2010. We also extend the timeframe for the Not Flat-Machinable (NFM) category of Standard Mail® items.

Automation Flats — In May 2009, we revised the DMM to allow certain flats (that did not meet the flexibility standards) access to automation flats prices if they demonstrated machine-compatibility via PCSC-coordinated analysis and testing. This exception was set to expire in May 2010. Mailers who currently have exceptions for automation flats eligibility are *encouraged* to resubmit their pieces to the PCSC before May to ensure that they still retain the characteristics that were originally tested.

Not Flat-Machinables — In 2007, USPS® created the NFM classification for mailpieces with specific physical characteristics that make NFMs nonmachinable on all but a small segment of USPS automated sorting equipment. At that time, we announced that this classification would be an interim step and that these pieces would be mailable as parcels in the future. In February 2009, we announced the expiration date for NFM Standard Mail prices to be May 2010.

Both of these types of pieces, rigid flats and NFMs, pose difficulties to process and deliver efficiently. These pieces also pose significant challenges for delivery operations when the pieces are not able to fit inside carrier casing equipment in preparation for delivery. They also do not fit in many customer mailboxes and often must be picked up at the Post Office™ facility by the addressee.

Due to the USPS decision to not change prices for these categories of mail in 2010, we are extending the expiration dates for both options to the day before the next applicable price change implementation date in 2011. We remind mailers that the physical characteristics of these mailpieces will enable them to be eligible only for parcel prices as of that date.

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300 Commercial Flats

301 Physical Standards

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3.0 Physical Standards for Automation Flats

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3.3 Flats-Machine Compatibility

***Rigid flat-size mailpieces in paper, polywrap or similar packaging that allows for the pieces to be grasped and inducted into USPS flat-sorting equipment may qualify for automation prices when meeting the following standards:

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[Revise item b by changing the expiration date to read as follows:]

- b. Mailpieces under 3.3 must be approved for automation flats prices by the USPS. Mailers seeking approval for mailpieces under this standard must contact their district manager, Business Mail Entry for instructions on submitting sample mailpieces to the Pricing and Classification Service Center (PCSC) (see 608.8.0 for address) for analysis and possible testing. Mailpieces previously approved by the PCSC for automation flats prices after May 2007 are not required to be resubmitted for a new approval. All approvals granted under 3.3 expire on the day before the next applicable price change implementation in 2011.

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— *Mailing Standards, Pricing, 3-25-10*

DMM Revision: New Optional Designs for Letter-Sized Booklets

Effective April 5, 2010, the Postal Service™ will revise *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM®) 201.3.15.4* and add new 201.3.15.6 through 201.3.15.8 to provide new design options for letter-size booklets. The new designs include nine simple spine designs and one oblong booklet design that will qualify for automation and machinable letter prices.

We will also revise the language in DMM 201.3.11g, and introduce one new gluing standard in 201.3.11h that applies to the new designs. While the new gluing standard is required for booklets prepared under the new design, we recommend this gluing method for all letter-size booklets that are able to be sealed with glue lines.

Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, Domestic Mail Manual (DMM)

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200 Commercial Letters and Cards

201 Physical Standards

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201.3 Physical Standards for Machinable and Automation Letters and Cards

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201.3.11 Tabs, Tape, and Glue

***The following standards also apply:

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[Revise item 201.3.11g and add new item 3.11h as follows:]

- g. Continuous glue lines may be used as cover-to-cover seals for specific designs. When using glue as a sealing method, it must be placed along the entire length of the open edge and end no more than 3/4-inch from

the open ends (see Exhibit 3.11g) unless standards require use of a continuous 1/2-inch wide glue line under 3.11h.

- h. Continuous, 1/2-inch wide glue lines must be placed along the entire length of the open edge and end within 1/16-inch of the open ends. The selvage along the open edge must not exceed 1/16 inch. Glue lines must be created with a permanent adhesive that is not tacky when dry.

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3.15 Booklets

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[Revise the heading and text of 3.15.4 as follows:]

3.15.4 General Booklet Design and Sealing

The position of the final fold and intermediate fold (or spine) for letter-sized booklets varies according to the specific design of the mailpiece. Open edges can be sealed with tabs, glue lines, or glue spots. Except for the simple spine wallet-style design with a height of 4 inches and a maximum length of 8 inches, tabs used as seals on the leading edge of small booklets less than 5 inches high may be placed closer to the top and bottom edges than shown in Exhibits 3.15.5 through 3.15.8 and may overlap in some cases. See Exhibits 3.15.5 through 3.15.8 for design and sealing standards by type of design.

[Delete current exhibit 3.15.4 in its entirety. Add new items 3.15.5 through 3.15.8, with exhibits, as follows:]

3.15.5 Simple Spine

The spine forms the bottom edge of the mailpiece. The length or method used to seal the booklet determines the weight of the paper forming the cover. Unless otherwise noted, the cover must be at least 70-pound paper.

Exhibit 3.15.5

[Note: New items in this exhibit compared to previous Exhibit 3.15.4 are the items described under light-weight, medium-weight, and heavy-weight sections.]

Simple Spine Booklets

Maximum weight — 3 ounces

Maximum height — 6 inches

Maximum length — 10.5 inches unless otherwise noted

Cover paper weight — 70-pound paper unless otherwise noted: see Exhibit 3.2

Basic





Cover:

5" to 9" long — at least 50-pound paper

Over 9" up to 10.5" — at least 60-pound paper

Place one tab on the leading and trailing edge within 1" from the top; position one tab on the lower leading edge 0.5" from the bottom. Use nonperforated 1.5" tabs.

<p>Internal Flap</p> 	<p>Cover: Minimum 80-pound paper</p> <p>Extended front folded over to enclosed pages to create a nonperforated inner flap. Flap sealed inside of back cover.</p> <p>Seal with a continuous glue line along flap as described in 3.11g (preferred), or 1" glue spots as described in 3.11f.</p>
<p>Cover-to-Cover</p> 	<p>Cover: Minimum 80-pound paper</p> <p>Cover extends no more than 5/8" beyond inner pages.</p> <p>Seal with a continuous glue line along extended cover as described in 3.11g (preferred), or with 1" glue spots as described in 3.11f.</p>


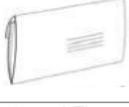

Lightweight Simple Spine Booklets

Maximum weight — 0.8 ounce

Maximum Height — 6 inches

Maximum length — 10.5 inches

Cover paper weight — 70-pound paper unless otherwise noted: see Exhibit 3.2

<p>Cover-to-Cover</p> 	<p>Cover extends no more than 5/8" beyond inner pages.</p> <p>Seal with a continuous glue line as described in 3.11h.</p>
<p>External Flap</p> 	<p>Addressed side of the cover extends over all pages on the back to create a flap.</p> <p>Flap length: at least 1.5" wide when measured down from the top edge. May be longer, but cannot be closer than 1" from bottom edge.</p> <p>Flap attaches to the outside of the nonaddressed side of the cover.</p> <p>Seal with a continuous glue line as described in 3.11h.</p>
<p>Internal Flap</p> 	<p>Addressed side of the cover extends over internal pages to create an inside flap.</p> <p>Flap length: at least 1.5" wide when measured down from the top edge.</p> <p>Flap attaches to the inside of the nonaddressed side of the cover.</p> <p>Seal with a continuous glue line as described in 3.11h.</p>


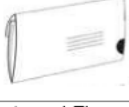

Mid-Weight Simple Spine Booklets

Weight — Over 0.8 ounce up to 1.6 ounces

Maximum Height — 6 inches

Maximum Length — 10.5 inches

Cover paper weight — 70-pound paper unless otherwise noted: see Exhibit 3.2

<p>Cover-to-Cover</p> 	<p>Cover extends no more than 5/8" beyond inner pages.</p> <p>Seal with a continuous glue line as described in 3.11h, and one nonperforated tab 0.5" from the bottom leading edge. Minimum tab size: 1.5".</p>
<p>External Flap</p> 	<p>Addressed side of the cover extends over all pages on the back to create a flap.</p> <p>Flap length: at least 1.5" wide when measured down from the top edge. May be longer, but cannot be closer than 1" from bottom edge.</p> <p>Flap attaches to the outside of the nonaddressed side of the cover.</p> <p>Seal with a continuous glue line as described in 3.11h, and one nonperforated tab 0.5" from the bottom leading edge. Minimum tab size: 1.5".</p>
<p>Internal Flap</p> 	<p>Addressed side of the cover extends over internal pages to create a flap.</p> <p>Flap length: at least 1.5" wide when measured down from the top edge.</p> <p>Flap attaches to the inside of the nonaddressed side of the cover.</p> <p>Seal with a continuous glue line as described in 3.11h, and one nonperforated tab 0.5" from the bottom leading edge. Minimum tab size: 1.5".</p>




Heavy Weight Simple Spine Booklets

Weight — Over 1.6 ounces up to 3 ounces

Maximum Height — 6 inches

Maximum Length — 10.5 inches

Cover paper weight — 70-pound paper unless otherwise noted: see Exhibit 3.2

	<p>Cover extends no more than 5/8" beyond inner pages. Seal with a continuous glue line as described in 3.11h, and two 1.5" nonperforated tabs. One tab placed on the leading edge 0.5" from bottom and one tab placed 1" from top leading edge.</p>
	<p>Addressed side of the cover extends over all pages on the back to create a flap. Flap length: at least 1.5" wide when measured down from the top edge. May be longer, but cannot be closer than 1 inch from bottom edge. Flap attaches to the outside of the nonaddressed side of the cover. Seal with a continuous glue line as described in 3.11h and two 1.5" nonperforated tabs. One tab placed on the leading edge 0.5" from bottom and one tab placed 1" from top leading edge.</p>
	<p>Addressed side of the cover extends over internal pages to create a flap. Minimum flap length: at least 1.5" wide when measured down from the top edge. Flap attaches to the inside of the nonaddressed side of the cover. Seal with a continuous glue line as described in 3.11h and two 1.5" nonperforated tabs. One tab placed on the leading edge 0.5" from bottom and one tab placed 1" from top leading edge.</p>

3.15.6 Wallet Style Booklets

A spine forms the bottom edge. Wallet-style booklets must be from 5.2 inches to 8 inches long, 4 inches high; can weigh up to 2.5 ounces; and must be sealed with nonperforated tabs. Tab size and placement are dictated by the weight of the booklet.


Exhibit 3.15.6**Wallet Style Booklets**

Maximum weight — 2.5 ounces

Maximum height — 4 inches

Maximum length — 5.2 to 8 inches

Cover paper weight — 70-pound paper unless otherwise noted: see Exhibit 3.2

	<p>Cover: Entire booklet 60-pound paper, or Cover 70-pound paper, inner pages 50-pound paper</p> <p>Booklets up to 2 ounces: sealed with 1.5" nonperforated tabs placed 1-1/4" from bottom leading and trailing edge. Over 2 ounces: use 2" nonperforated tabs placed 3/4" from bottom leading and trailing edge. ±1/8" vertical tolerance for tab placement in both cases.</p>
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3.15.7 Oblong Booklets

Oblong booklets have a spine on the leading (shorter) edge.


Exhibit 3.15.7**Oblong Booklets**

Maximum weight — 3 ounces

Maximum height — 6 inches

Maximum length — 10.5 inches

Cover paper weight — 70-pound paper unless otherwise noted: see Exhibit 3.2

	<p>Cover: 5" to 9" long: 60-pound paper Over 9" up to 10.5": 70-pound paper</p> <p>Place two 1.5" nonperforated tabs on the top edge and one tab on trailing edge. Position top tabs 1" from left and right edges. Position one 1.5" nonperforated tab in the middle of the trailing edge.</p>
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Internal Flap	<p>Cover: 5" to 9" long — 60-pound paper Over 9" up to 10.5" — 70-pound paper</p> <p>The front or back cover sheet is extended on the trailing edge and folded over the nonrecessed internal pages. The flap is sealed inside the opposite cover sheet with glue. Extended front and back covers are not allowed with glue line seals.</p> <p>Seal with a continuous glue line as described in 3.11h. Place two 1.5" nonperforated tabs on the top edge 1" from the leading and trailing edges.</p>
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3.15.8 Folded Booklets

Folded booklets are large mailpieces that are bound and then folded to letter-size. The final fold must be the bottom (longer) edge. The folded spine should be the leading edge; however, if necessary, the spine may be prepared as the trailing edge. The spine on the trailing edge configuration is not recommended. The cover is at least 40-pound paper. Folded booklets must be sealed with nonperforated 1.5" tabs.

Exhibit 3.15.8

Folded Booklets	
<p>Maximum weight — 3 ounces Maximum height — 6 inches Maximum length — 10.5 inches unless otherwise noted Cover paper weight — 40-pound paper</p>	
	<p>Two 1.5" nonperforated tabs on leading edge and one tab on trailing edge. Position upper tabs within 1" from the top edge. Position lower leading tab 0.5" from the bottom edge.</p>

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We will incorporate these revisions into the next printed version of the DMM and into the monthly update of the online DMM, which is available via Postal Explorer® at <http://pe.usps.com>.

— Mailing Standards, Pricing, 3-25-10

IMM Update: Maximum Insurance Coverage Limit and Fee for Global Express Guaranteed Service to Rwanda

The article "IMM Revision: New Maximum Insurance Coverage Limit for Global Express Guaranteed Service to Rwanda" in *Postal Bulletin 22280* (3-11-10, page 9) announced an incorrect maximum insurance coverage limit and fee for Global Express Guaranteed® (GXG®) service to Rwanda.

The updated information is given below in bold.

Effective April 5, 2010, the Postal Service™ will incorporate the following information into the Individual Country Listing for Rwanda in *Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, International Mail Manual (IMM®)*.

Mailing Standards of the United States Postal Service, International Mail Manual (IMM)

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Individual Country Listings

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Rwanda

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Global Express Guaranteed (210)

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Insurance (212.5)

[Revise the table to read as follows (showing the maximum insured amount and its associated fee):]

Insured Amount not over	Fee	Insured Amount not over	Fee
\$100	No Fee	For document reconstruction insurance or non-document insurance coverage above \$800, add \$1.00 per \$100 or fraction thereof, up to a maximum of \$1,500 per shipment.	
200	\$1.00		
300	2.00		
400	3.00		
500	4.00		
600	5.00		
700	6.00		
800	7.00		\$1,500 max.

Value Limit (212.1)

[Revise the text to read as follows (showing the maximum insured amount):]

The maximum value of a GXG shipment to Rwanda is **\$1,500** or a lesser amount if limited by content or value.

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— Mailing Standards, Pricing, 3-25-10

Publications

Publication 431 Revision: Changes to Post Office Box Service and Caller Service Fee Groups

Effective March 25, 2010, Publication 431, *Post Office Box Service and Caller Service Fee Groups*, is revised to include the following changes.

Publication 431, *Post Office Box Service and Caller Service Fee Groups*

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[Add the following entries:]

ZIP Code	Fee Group
90210	2

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[Delete the following entries:]

ZIP Code
21540
77844

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The online version of Publication 431 is dated January 31, 2008. Changes made after January 31, 2008,

have been published in the *Postal Bulletin*, and are also reflected in WebBATS. Publication 431 is currently available on the Postal Service™ PolicyNet website (<http://blue.usps.gov/cpim>):

- Go to <http://blue.usps.gov>.
- Under “Essential Links” in the left-hand column, click *PolicyNet*.
- Click *PUBs*.

Offices with WebBATS access can view current Publication 431 information by generating a WebBATS Facility Information Report as follows:

1. Go to the WebBATS main menu, and select *Reports*. The reports page opens.
2. Under the Clients/System column, System category, click *Facility Information*.
3. View the Fee Group field in the report.

— *Special Services,
Retail Products and Services, 3-25-10*

Forms

Revised Appointment Affidavit Form

Effective immediately, PS Form 61, *Appointment Affidavit*, is revised. The February 2010 edition replaces all previous editions, which are obsolete and must be discarded/recycled. The form has been changed as follows:

- Questions about federal government annuities and contracts with the Postal Service™ have been removed. These questions are now part of the online application for employment in *eCareer*.
- Questions for male applicants regarding registration with the Selective Service System have removed. These questions are now part of the online application for employment in *eCareer*.
- The instructions to the appointing officer have been revised.

- The note regarding persons authorized and empowered to administer the oath of office was modified to be consistent with our organizational structure.

PS Form 61 is available on the Postal Service Intranet:

- Go to <http://blue.usps.gov>.
- Under “Essential Links” in the left-hand column, click *Forms*.
- Browse forms by number, and click 0–999.
- Click the PDF icon for PS 61.

— *Selection, Evaluation, and Recognition,
Employee Resource Management, 3-25-10*

PS Form 1769, Accident Report, Is Changed to PS Form 1769/301

Effective April 1, 2010, PS Form 1769, *Accident Report*, is obsolete. This form is replaced by PS Form 1769/301, *Accident Report*, which is generated from the new Employee Health and Safety Application. Recycle unused copies of PS Form 1769 through your local recycling program.

To report an accident using the new Employee Health and Safety Application*:

- Go to <http://blue.usps.gov/>.
- Click *Log On*, located at top left of Blue home page.
- Provide your Ace User ID and Password, and click *Log On*.
- Once logged on, click *My Work*.

- Under Safety Resource Tools, click *Report and Accident or Incident*.
- Log off Blue when you have finished reporting the accident or incident.

***Note:** If you are an executive and administrative schedule (EAS) employee and do not have access to the new Employee Health and Safety Accident and Incident Reporting System, you can request access using eAccess. Type “EHS” in the eAccess Application Name search window, and in the field What type of access do you need? select “Accident/Incident Entry — EAS/EAS Details Only”.

— *Safety and Environmental Performance Management, Employee Resource Management, 3-25-10*

Organization Information

Finance

Revenue Unit for Fiscal Year 2009

The revenue unit for Fiscal Year 2009 is \$383.40. This is the average revenue for 1,000 pieces of revenue-generating mail and special services transactions. The revenue unit is used in the process of determining the proper cost ascertainment group (CAG) for Post Office™ facilities. To find revenue information for an individual Post Office, visit the Headquarters Accounting website on the Postal Service™ Intranet:

- Go to <http://blue.usps.gov>.
- Click the *Inside USPS* tab.
- Under "Finance," click *Accounting*.
- Under "Related Links," click *ANCM / FNCM / GR*.
- Click the *Enter Gross Revenue* button.

- Click the *Gross Revenue Inquiry* link.
- In the Report Data section, select any of the requested data attributes (e.g., Gross Revenue, Number of Revenue Units, etc.).
- In the Report Criteria section, select the fiscal year and enter your finance number.
- Click the *Run Report* button to display results.

The direct URL for the ANCM/FNCM/GR webpage is <http://mnpb1:10065/access.html>.

— *Field and International Accounting, Controller, 3-25-10*

Intelligent Mail and Address Quality

Post Office Changes

Old/ New	Finance No.	ZIP Code	State	P.O. Name	County/ Parish	Station/Branch/ Unit	Unit Type	Effective Date	Comments
Old	02-0312	99505	AK	Anchorage	Anchorage	Fort Richardson	Classified Branch		This announcement changes the preferred last line of this ZIP™ Code from Fort Richardson AK to JBER AK. Use JBER AK 99505 as last line of address.
New	02-0312	99505	AK	Anchorage	Anchorage	JBER	Place Name	10/01/2010	
Old	02-0312	99506	AK	Anchorage	Anchorage	Elmendorf AFB	Classified Branch		This announcement changes the preferred last line of this ZIP Code from Elmendorf AFB AK to JBER AK. Use JBER AK 99506 as last line of address.
New	02-0312	99506	AK	Anchorage	Anchorage	JBER	Place Name	10/01/2010	
Old	20-1484	42403	KY	Clay	Webster	Blackford	Community Post Office	12/31/2007	Community Post Office and ZIP Code discontinued. Establish a place name. Blackford KY becomes an acceptable last line for use with ZIP Code 42404.
New	20-1484	42404	KY	Clay	Webster	Blackford	Place Name	07/12/2009	
Old	29-2196	59929	MT	Dayton	Lake	Proctor	Community Post Office	08/31/2006	Community Post Office discontinued. Retain ZIP Code. Establish a place name. Continue to use Proctor MT 59929 as last line of address.
New	29-2196	59929	MT	Dayton	Lake	Proctor	Place Name	07/03/2009	
Old	39-2882	74461	OK	Eufaula	Mcintosh	Stidham	Community Post Office	03/31/2003	Community Post Office discontinued. Retain ZIP Code. Establish a place name. Continue to use Stidham OK 74461 as last line of address.
New	39-2882	74461	OK	Eufaula	Mcintosh	Stidham	Place Name	07/11/2009	

— *Address Management, Intelligent Mail and Address Quality, 3-25-10*

Mailing and Shipping Services

Mail Alert

The mailings below will be deposited in the near future. Offices should honor the requested home delivery dates. Mailers wishing to participate in these alerts, for mailings of 1 million pieces or more, should contact Business Service Network Integration at 202-268-3258 at least 1 month preceding the requested delivery dates. The Postal Service™ also offers

electronic Mail Alerts via ADVANCE. For more information, see the *ADVANCE Notification & Tracking System Technical Guide* on the Internet at http://ribbs.usps.gov/advance/documents/tech_guides/advtech.pdf or contact the National Customer Support Center at 800-238-3150.

Requested Delivery Dates	Title of Mailing	Class and Type of Mail	Number of Pieces (Millions)	Distribution	Presort Level	Comments
3/25/10–3/27/10	JCP — Men's Matter of Style	Standard Catalog	2.8	National	Car-Rt	Harte-Hanks/RRD
3/25/10–3/27/10	JCP — Wk 9 Little Red Book	Standard Flat	4.2	National	Car-Rt	Harte-Hanks
3/27/10–3/30/10	JCP — Multi Div Catalog	Standard Catalog	2.5	National	Car-Rt	Harte-Hanks/RRD
3/27/10–3/30/10	JCP — Spring Home Catalog	Standard Catalog	5.2	National	Car-Rt	Harte-Hanks/RRD
3/27/10–3/30/10	JCP — Wk 9 Instant Money	Standard Letter	10.3	National	Car-Rt	Harte-Hanks
3/29/10–3/31/10	Line screening #11 logo envelope, created handwriting font	Standard Letter	2	National	3/5 Digit	Mail America, Forest, VA
4/3/10–4/6/10	JCP — Wk 10 Birthday Sale	Standard Letter	11.8	National	Car-Rt	Harte-Hanks
4/5/10–4/7/10	Prevention	Standard Flat	2.5	National	Car 3/5 Digit	Roale/ALG Worldwide

— Business Service Network Integration, Sales, 3-25-10

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Stamp Announcement 10-12: Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet



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On April 30, 2010, in North Hollywood, California, the Postal Service™ will issue a 44-cent, *Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet* special stamp in 10 designs in a pressure-sensitive adhesive (PSA) pane of 20 stamps (Item 576000). The stamp, designed by Derry Noyes, Washington, DC, goes on sale nationwide April 30, 2010.

With this pane of 10 stamp designs, the U.S. Postal Service® hopes to raise awareness of the need to adopt shelter pets. The pets depicted on the stamps were photographed by Sally Andersen-Bruce near her home in New Milford, Connecticut. All had been homeless at one time; all but one had been adopted when they were photographed.

Issue:	<i>Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet</i>
Item Number:	576000
Denomination & Type of Issue:	44-cent Special
Format:	Pane of 20 (10 designs)
Series:	N/A
Issue Date & City:	April 30, 2010, North Hollywood, CA 91605
Designer:	Derry Noyes, Washington, DC
Art Director:	Derry Noyes, Washington, DC
Typographer:	Derry Noyes, Washington, DC
Artist:	Sally Andersen-Bruce, New Milford, CT
Modeler:	Donald Woo
Manufacturing Process:	Offset, Microprint "USPS"
Printer:	Banknote Corporation of America
Printed at:	Browns Summit, NC
Press Type:	Alprinta, 74
Stamps per Pane:	20
Print Quantity:	300 million stamps
Paper Type:	Prephosphored, Type II
Adhesive Type:	Pressure-sensitive
Processed at:	Unique Binders, Fredericksburg, VA
Stamp Orientation:	Horizontal
Image Area (w x h):	1.03 x .75 in./26.16 x 19.05 mm
Overall Size (w x h):	1.19 x .91 in./30.23 x 23.11 mm
Full Pane Size (w x h):	5.88 x 5.88 in./149.35 x 149.35 mm
Colors:	Magenta, Yellow, Cyan, Black, PMS 576, PMS 652, PMS 7412, PMS 7524
Plate Size:	320 stamps per revolution
Plate Numbers:	"S" followed by eight (8) single digits
Marginal Markings:	
Front:	Header: "Animal Rescue Adopt a Shelter Pet" • Plate block numbers in four corners of pane • "Featuring animals adopted from shelters" at bottom of pane
Back:	© 2009 USPS • USPS logo • Barcode (576000) in four corners • Plate position diagram • Price: ".44 x 20 = \$8.80"

How to Order the First Day of Issue Postmark

Customers have 60 days to obtain the first day of issue postmark by mail. They may purchase new stamps at their local Post Office™, at The Postal Store® website at www.usps.com/shop, or by calling 800-STAMP-24. They should affix the stamps to envelopes of their choice, address the envelopes (to themselves or others), and place them in a larger envelope addressed to:

Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet Stamp
c/o Postmaster
7035 Laurel Canyon Blvd.
North Hollywood, CA 91605-9998

After applying the first day of issue postmark, the Postal Service will return the envelopes through the mail. There is no charge for the postmark. All orders must be postmarked by June 30, 2010.

How to Order First Day Covers

Stamp Fulfillment Services also offers first day covers for new stamp issues and Postal Service stationery items post-marked with the official first day of issue cancellation. Each item has an individual catalog number and is offered in the quarterly *USA Philatelic Catalog*. Customers may request a free catalog by calling 800-STAMP-24 or writing to:

Information Fulfillment
 Dept. 6270
 U.S. Postal Service
 PO Box 219014
 Kansas City, MO 64121-9014

Philatelic Products

There are 11 philatelic products available for this stamp issue:

- 576063*, First Day Cover Set of 10, \$8.20.
- 576068*, Digital Color Postmark Set of 10, \$15.00.
- 576071*, Dog Certificate, \$4.95.
- 576072*, Cat Certificate, \$4.95.
- 576077, Adopt a Shelter Pet Dog Diary, \$14.95.
- 576078, Adopt a Shelter Pet Cat Diary, \$14.95.
- 576084, Uncut Press Sheet, \$70.40.
- 576087*, Bundle of 10 Catalogs (one of each animal on cover), \$9.95.
- 576091*, Ceremony Program, \$6.95.
- 576094*, Notecards 10/10, \$12.95.
- 576099, Cancellation Keepsake (set of 2 random cat & dog), \$11.95.

Items with an asterisk (*) will use the 128 barcode from Stamp Fulfillment Services. All other philatelic products will continue to use barcode series A, with the exception of the Yearbook and the Guide Book.

Distribution: Item 576000, 44-cent Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet PSA Pane of 20 Stamps

Stamp distribution offices (SDOs) will receive approximately 100 percent of their standard automatic distribution quantity for a PSA sheet stamp. Distributions are rounded up to the nearest master carton size of 40,000 stamps.

Initial Supply to Post Offices

SDOs will make a subsequent automatic distribution to Post Offices of 100 percent their standard automatic distribution quantity using PS Form 17, *Stamp Requisition/Stamp Return*. SDOs must not distribute this commemorative sheet to Post Offices before April 20, 2010.

Additional Supply

Post Offices requiring additional commemorative sheets must requisition them from their designated SDO/stamp distribution center (SDC) using PS Form 17. SDOs requiring additional commemorative sheets must order them from the appropriate SDC using PS Form 17. For fulfilling supplemental orders from SDOs, the Kansas City, Dulles, Atlanta, and Binghamton SDCs will receive additional commemorative sheets.

Sales Policy

All Post Offices must acquire and maintain a supply of each new commemorative stamp as long as customer demand exists, until inventory is depleted, or until the stamp is officially withdrawn from sale. If supplies run low, Post Offices must reorder additional quantities using their normal ordering procedures.

— Stamp Services,
 Government Relations and Public Policy, 3-25-10

Quarter 3 Philatelic Products Approved for Sale in Retail

In mid-April, participating Post Office™ locations will receive a shipment of philatelic products to display and sell during Quarter 3. Offices must assign these products, as well as the *2009 Stamp Yearbook* and *The Postal Service Guide to U.S. Stamps — 36th Edition*, as part of the *Retail Floor Stock* in order to enable the Inventory Replenishment System (IRS) to monitor and replenish products as they are sold. Failure to do so will result in unwanted product replenishment and inflate unit accountability.

The following philatelic products are approved for sale in retail in Quarter 3, FY10:

Item Number	Philatelic Products for Sale in Retail in Quarter 3	Price
980066	Scenic American Landscapes Premium Postcards	\$14.95
576099	Adopt a Shelter Pet Cancellation Keepsake	\$11.95
576094	Adopt a Shelter Pet Premium Stationery/Notecards	\$12.95
576077	Adopt a Shelter Pet Dog Diary	\$14.95
576078	Adopt a Shelter Pet Cat Diary	\$14.95
465399	Cowboys of the Silver Screen Cancellation Keepsake	\$14.95
990900	2009 Stamp Yearbook (on sale throughout the year)	\$59.95
890900	Guide to U.S. Stamps (on sale throughout the year)	\$19.95

Stamp yearbooks in excess of four (4) and stamp guides in excess of three (3), along with the following philatelic products that were not sold in Quarter 2, must be returned to the assigned stamp distribution office (SDO) or stamp services center (SSC) for destruction as per normal return cycles policies:

Item Number	Quarter 2 Philatelic Products to be Returned
463893	Anna Julia Cooper Cancellation Keepsake
574399	Lunar New Year (Tiger) Cancellation Keepsake
574366	Lunar New Year (Tiger) Limited Edition Notecard Set
896601	Early TV Memories Premium Stamped Postcards

These items will remain on sale through the *USA Philatelic Catalog*, at 800-STAMP24, and online at www.usps.com.

— Stamp Services,
Government Relations and Public Policy, 3-25-10

Pictorial Postmarks Announcement

As a community service, the Postal Service™ offers pictorial postmarks to commemorate local events celebrated in communities throughout the nation. A list of events for which pictorial postmarks are authorized appears below. The sponsor of the pictorial postmark appears in italics under the date. Also provided are illustrations of these postmarks.

People attending these local events may obtain the postmark in person at the temporary Post Office™ station established there. Those who cannot attend the event but who wish to obtain the postmark may submit a mail order request. Pictorial postmarks are available only for the dates indicated, and *requests must be postmarked no later than 30 days following the requested pictorial postmark date.*

All requests must include a stamped envelope or postcard bearing at least the minimum First-Class Mail® postage. Items submitted for postmark may not include

postage issued after the date of the requested postmark. Such items will be returned unserved.

Customers wishing to obtain a postmark should affix stamps to any envelope or postcard of their choice, address the envelope or postcard to themselves or others, insert a card of postcard thickness in envelopes for sturdiness, and tuck in the flap. Place the envelope or postcard in a larger envelope and address it to: Pictorial Postmarks, followed by the Name of the Station, Address, City, State, ZIP+4® Code, as listed below.

Customers can also send stamped envelopes and postcards without addresses for postmark, as long as they supply a larger envelope with adequate postage and their return address. After applying the pictorial postmark, the Postal Service returns the items (with or without addresses) under addressed protective cover.

The following pictorial postmark has been extended for 60 days:



February 7, 2010

U.S. Postal Service
Super Bowl XLIV Station
Postmaster
PO Box 50336
New Orleans, LA 70113-0336



March 13, 2010

Tidewater Stamp Club
Tidewater Stamp Show Station
Postmaster
116 E. Dover St.
Easton, MD 21601-9998



March 14, 2010

Town of Mansura
Mansura Sesquicentennial Station
Postmaster
2109 Leglise St.
Mansura, LA 71350-9998



March 13–14, 2010

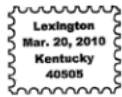
Centerville Stamp Club
CIPEX 52 Station
Postmaster
400 North A St.
Richmond, IN 47374-9998



73rd National Conference Station
American Criminal Justice Association
Lambda Alpha Epsilon
March 17, 2010
Portland OR 97208

March 17, 2010

American Criminal Justice Association
73rd National Conference Station
Postmaster
320 Main St.
Aumsville, OR 97325-9998

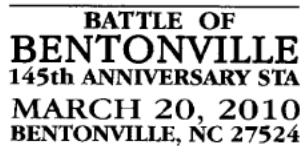


Art in Miniature
Lexington Stamp Fair
Station

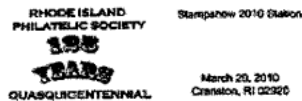
March 20, 2010
Henry Clay Philatelic Society
Lexington Stamp Fair
Station
Postmaster
PO Box 22803
Lexington, KY 40525-9998



March 20, 2010
Big Lick Stamp Club
ROAPEX Station
Postmaster
PO Box 9998
Roanoke, VA 24014-9998

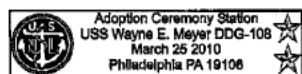


March 20, 2010
NY Capital Civil War Roundtable
Battle of Bentonville 145th
Anniversary Station
Postmaster
PO Box 9998
Four Oaks, NC 27524-9998

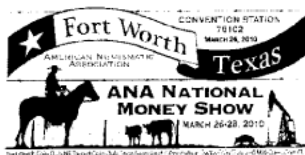


Stampshow 2010 Station
March 20, 2010
Cranston, RI 02920

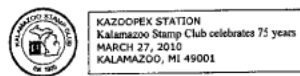
March 20, 2010
Rhode Island Philatelic Society
Stampshow 2010 Station
Postmaster
24 Corliss St.
Providence, RI 02904-9998



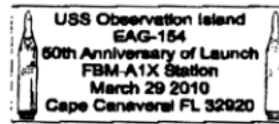
March 25, 2010
Universal Ship Cancellation Society
Adoption Ceremony Station
USS Wayne E. Meyer DDG-108
USPS Retail Services
3190 S. 70th St., Rm. 509
Philadelphia, PA
19153-9611



March 26-28, 2010
U.S. Postal Service
Convention Station
Postmaster
251 W. Lancaster Ave.
Fort Worth, TX 76102-9998



March 27-28, 2010
Kalamazoo Stamp Club
KAZOOPEX Station
Postmaster
PO Box 9998
Comstock, MI 49041-9998



March 29, 2010
Universal Ship Cancellation Society
FBM A1X Station
Postmaster
8700 Astronaut Blvd.
Cape Canaveral, FL
32920-9998



March 31, 2010
U.S. Postal Service
Honoring Bill Mauldin Willie
and Joe Station
Postmaster
PO Box 9998
Columbia, SC 29207-9998



March 31, 2010
American Red Cross
American Red Cross Station
Postmaster
PO Box 9998
Alamosa, CO 81132-9998



April 1, 2010
U.S. Postal Service
National Card & Letter
Writing Month Station
Postmaster
PO Box 9998
Steamboat Rock, IA
50672-9998



April 1-3, 2010
Pony Express National Museum
Pony Express
Sesquicentennial Station
Postmaster
1519 S. 10th St.
Saint Joseph, MO
64503-9998



April 1-30, 2010
Benton County Three Star Board
Holladay Post Office Station
Postmaster
7005 Hwy. 192
Holladay, TN 38341-9998

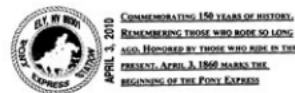


April 3, 2010
U.S. Postal Service
Pony Express
Sesquicentennial Station
150th Celebration
Postmaster
2000 Royal Oaks Dr.
Sacramento, CA
95813-9998



April 3, 2010

U.S. Postal Service
 Pony Express Trails to Rails
 Station
 Postmaster
 2000 Royal Oaks Dr.
 Sacramento, CA
 95813-9998



April 3, 2010

Schellbourne Re-Riders
 Ely Pony Express Station
 Postmaster
 2600 Bristlecone Ave.
 Ely, NV 89301-9998



April 3, 2010

National Pony Express Association
 Fort Churchill Pony Express
 Station
 Postmaster
 1250 Donner Trail
 Silver Springs, NV
 89429-9998



April 7, 2010

U.S. Postal Service
 TPTR Station
 Postmaster
 408 Main St.
 Hereford, TX 79045-9998

— Stamp Services,
 Government Relations and Public Policy, 3-25-10

How to Order the First Day of Issue Digital Color or Traditional Postmarks

Customers have 60 days to obtain the first day of issue postmarks by mail. They may purchase new stamps at their local Post Office™, by telephone at 800-STAMP-24, or at The Postal Store® website at www.usps.com/shop.

Traditional Postmarks

Customers should affix the stamps to envelopes of their choice, address them to themselves or others, or provide a self-addressed return envelope with sufficient postage large enough to accommodate the canceled item. Mail the request to the corresponding city of issuance. There is no charge for the first 50 postmarks. There is a 5-cent charge for each additional postmark over 50. Customers should submit a check, money order, or credit card for payment. After applying the first day of issue postmark, the Postal Service™ will return the envelopes to the customer by U.S. Mail.

All postmark requests should go to the first day of issue city. The first day of issue city Post Office will then forward in bulk all postmark requests to Cancellation Services, Stamp Fulfillment Services, PO Box 449992, Kansas City, MO 64144-9992 by respective Post Offices.

Digital Color Postmarks

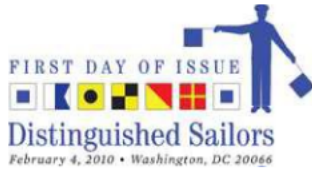
Only select stamp issues offer a digital color postmark. Customers may submit #6 or #10 envelopes constructed of paper rated as "laser safe." The Postal Service recommends envelopes of 80-pound Accent Opaque, acid-free, 9/16" side seams with no glue on the flap. The maximum

size of all digital color postmarks is 2" high x 4" long. Allow sufficient space on the envelope to accommodate the postmark. Do not use self-adhesive labels for addresses on the envelope. Two test envelopes must be included. There is a minimum of 10 envelopes at 50 cents per postmark required at the time of servicing. Customers should submit a check, money order, or credit card for payment.

The Postal Service reserves the right to not accept hand-painted and other cachet envelopes that are not compatible with our digital color postmark equipment. The Postal Service also reserves the right to substitute traditional black rubber postmarks if use of nonspecified envelopes results in poor image quality or damage to equipment.

Customers should affix the stamps to the envelopes and address them to themselves or others for return through the mail. Or, they may include an additional self-addressed return envelope, large enough to accommodate their canceled items, with sufficient postage affixed for return of their postmarked items. Mail the request for a first day of issue digital color postmark to the corresponding city of issuance. Post Offices will then forward all customer requests for digital color postmarks to Cancellation Services, Stamp Fulfillment Services, PO Box 449992, Kansas City, MO 64144-9992.

After applying the first day of issue postmark, the Postal Service will return the envelopes to the customer by U.S. Mail.



Digital Color Pictorial

Distinguished Sailors Stamp
 Special Cancellations
 PO Box 92282
 Washington, DC 20090-2282

April 6, 2010



Digital Color Pictorial

Abstract Expressionists Stamp
 Postmaster
 1200 William Street
 Buffalo, NY 14240-9998

May 12, 2010



Black and White Pictorial

Bill Mauldin Stamp
 120 South Federal Place
 Santa Fe, NM 87501-9998

May 31, 2010



Digital Color Pictorial

Bill Mauldin Stamp
 120 South Federal Place
 Santa Fe, NM 87501-9998

May 31, 2010



Black and White Pictorial

Flags of Our Nation Stamp Set 4
 Postmaster
 421 Eighth Ave., Rm 2029B
 New York, NY 10199-9998

June 16, 2010



Digital Color Pictorial

Flags of Our Nation Stamp Set 4
 Postmaster
 421 Eighth Ave., Rm 2029B
 New York, NY 10199-9998

June 16, 2010



Black and White Pictorial

Love: Pansies in a Basket Stamp
 Postmaster
 300 W. Pershing Rd.
 Kansas City, MO 64108-9998

June 22, 2010



Digital Color Pictorial

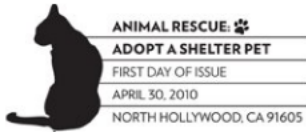
Love: Pansies in a Basket Stamp
 Postmaster
 300 W. Pershing Rd.
 Kansas City, MO 64108-9998

June 22, 2010

**Digital Color Pictorial****Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet Stamp**

Postmaster
7035 Laurel Canyon Blvd.
Hollywood, CA 91605-9998

June 30, 2010

**Black and White Pictorial****Animal Rescue: Adopt a Shelter Pet Stamp**

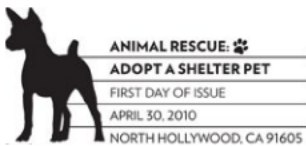
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Retail

Stop Sending Copies of PS Form 8176, Premium Forwarding Service Application, to Headquarters

Offices are no longer required to send a copy of PS Form 8176, *Premium Forwarding Service® (PFS®) Application*, to Headquarters (HQ). This requirement ended in 2007 when the application was revised and page 4 (HQ copy) was removed. In 2005, the PFS program office at HQ required a copy of page 4 when PFS was an experiment.

However, the experiment ended in 2007 when PFS became an official product offering. Offices that still send copies to HQ are wasting workhours and money — especially some offices that send them by Express Mail®, Registered Mail®, and Priority Mail® service.

— *Special Services, Retail Products and Services, 3-25-10*

Supply Management

SmartPay Purchase Card Agency Program Coordinator Roles Transferred

The roles for field and area GSA SmartPay® purchase card agency program coordinators (APC) have been transferred to the Interim Purchasing Shared Services Center (PSSC) in Windsor, Connecticut. If you are a purchase cardholder (CH) or credit card approving official (CCAO) under the SmartPay program in any area- or field-level office, your APC now resides in the Interim PSSC in Windsor, Connecticut. The National Materials Customer Service Center in Topeka, Kansas, will continue to serve as APC for the Inspection Service, Office of Inspector General, and Headquarters accounts.

Plans are currently underway to automate the Smart Pay process with the goal being a paperless process for establishing, approving, and terminating CHs and CCAOs. It is

requested that field and area offices continue to store all APC documentation locally until the automated process is implemented and further instructions are provided.

Please contact the Windsor PSSC Helpdesk if you have any questions or concerns:

- PSSC Hours: Monday through Friday, 7:30 A.M. to 6 P.M. Eastern Standard Time.
- PSSC Phone Number: 877-293-2410.
- PSSC e-mail: helpdesk.pssc.eastern@usps.gov.

— *Eastern Services Category Management Center, Supply Management, 3-25-10*



475 L'ENFANT PLAZA SW
WASHINGTON DC 20260-3100

First-Class Mail
Postage & Fees Paid
USPS
Permit No. G-10

DID YOU KNOW?

Coils of First-Class Mail® stamps are available at *usps.com*®.

The advertisement features a collection of white plastic coils containing postage stamps with an American flag design. The stamps are arranged in a cluster, with some overlapping. The text "DID YOU KNOW?" is written in a large, bold, white font with a black outline at the top. Below the stamps, the text "Coils of First-Class Mail® stamps are available at *usps.com*®." is written in a bold, red font. The background is a light, neutral color.